

WEATHER FORECASTS	
Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate to fresh westerly to southerly winds, mostly cloudy, and mild, with rain.	
Vancouver and Vicinity—Moderate to fresh westerly winds, mostly cloudy, mild, rain.	

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VOLCANOES CLAIM MANY VICTIMS

BREEDERS NAME NEW OFFICIALS

Mr. Hutton Again Heads Western Canada Union—Mr. Strachan for Manitoba—Other Officers Reappointed.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD IN CALGARY

Orient Attention Urged—Government Asked to War on Fordney Tariff—Tribute to Late Dr. Rutherford.

AFTER three days of deliberation, the 1923 convention of the Western Canada Livestock Union, one of the most successful ever held by the breeders, came to an end yesterday. Most of the delegates left for their homes by the boat for the Mainland last night. The afternoon session yesterday was devoted to the election of officers and the discussion of numerous resolutions. In the evening a banquet was given by the B. C. Stock Breeders' Association.

Next year's convention, it was decided, will be held at Calgary. The date will be decided later. The officers for 1924 are: Mr. G. H. Hutton, of Calgary, president; Mr. E. L. Richardson, of Calgary, secretary; and Mr. John Strachan, of Manitoba, and vice-presidents as follows: Mr. W. T. McDonald, for British Columbia; Mr. G. F. Herbert, for Alberta; Mr. F. H. Auld, for Saskatchewan; and Mr. John Strachan, for Manitoba. Mr. Strachan was the only new selection, the other officials having served in the same capacities during the past year.

The convention placed on record its appreciation of the valuable services rendered the association as its first president by the late Dr. J. G. Rutherford. "His career," read the resolution, "was marked by many distinct accomplishments in the interests of agriculture."

One of the most important public positions, notable among which might be mentioned the Veterinary Director Generalship of Canada. During his term of office he organized an extensive and efficient health of animals branch, which service has been responsible for safeguarding the health of Canadian livestock, and to which service we may attribute the success achieved in preventing the importation of serious cattle disease to the Dominion of Canada.

As a private practitioner in the province of Manitoba at Portage la Prairie, he built up for himself a large practice, and acquired a reputation as a successful veterinarian. His reputation in this particular was not continued on Page 7.

Rotarians Inquire Into Needs of Poor Kiddies in Victoria

ON Tuesday one hundred Rotarians will begin their round of calls on the young folks destined to receive invitations to the Rotary Christmas Tree which, according to present arrangements, will be held on December 26 in the Pantages Theatre.

The object of these visits will be to find out what essential needs each little wardrobe lacks; what size in shoes is wanted for some out-of-luck daddy's little girl if she is to be saved from having to sit through the long school hours with soaked feet; whether warm underclothes or a new overcoat will most help a struggling underdog brave little boy to face the east wind which will come next month. He needs and deserves both, but will be thankful for either, and it is to help him to at least one of them that the public is being asked to give their utmost to the fund which the club has charged itself to administer.

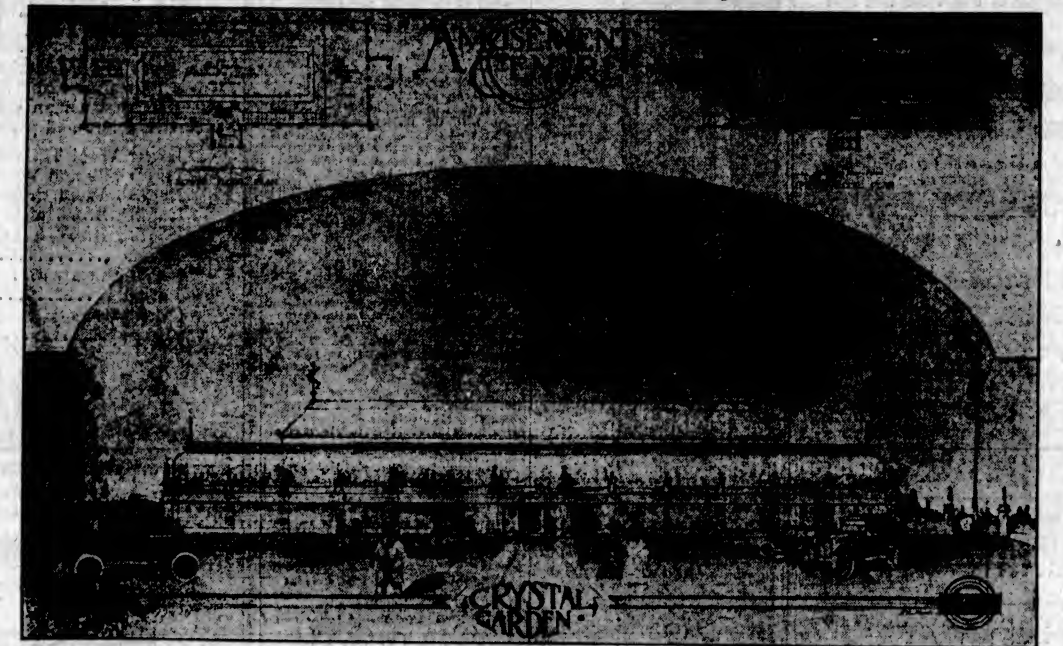
These are not fancy cases, as those who have helped in the work in former years know well. They are typical of hundreds to be found in Victoria even today, when unemployment is admittedly less than for some time past. The poor we have always with us. There are underfed children to whom the first snowfall will mean misery. There are children who are hungry and undernourished as well. Sometimes it is through their parents' misfortune, sometimes through their parents' fault or incompetence or mismanagement. Be that as it may, it is the kiddies who suffer.

There is not one of us who has not received his share of the good things of life who will not find more pleasure in this Christmas season from the knowledge that he has helped to keep some underprivileged child warm or enabled him to shake hands with Santa and receive some simple toy which means so much to him.

Contributions will be received at The Colonist or Times offices or at the office of the Rotary Club, 1008 Broad Street.

The subscriptions to date follow:
Already acknowledged \$624.75
C. A. Gillespie 100.00
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Sketch of Amusement Centre C.P.R. Proposes to Build Here



If the Ratepayers Pass the By-Law Shortly to Be Placed Before Them, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company Will Erect an Amusement Centre on the City's Property Behind the Empress Hotel. The Building Will Face on Douglas Street. The Extent to Which Glass Will Be Used Is Shown in the Sketch. The Structure Will Be Attractive in Appearance and Unusual in Design. The Portions of the Grounds Not Occupied by the Building Will Be Laid Out With Lawns, Shrubs and Flowers.

HOME COMING HAS SAD TERMINATION

ARRIVING TO JOIN HUSBAND, DIES IN QUARANTINE

Wife and Child of Britisher Cross Atlantic, and Woman Sues—Cumbria to Puncunla

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Captain Glover Armstrong, British Consul General in New York, this morning stated that his office had made no request for an investigation into the case of Mrs. Bert Dodge, of Liverpool, who died of pneumonia at Ellis Island. She, with her baby daughter, had come out to join her husband, an Englishman now living in Boston. The British Consul General declared that the case had been reported to his office but no action had been taken pending further investigation. Officials at Ellis Island declared that the Dodge case was conducted according to the routine required by the United States immigration regulations. They say that the woman received the best of treatment while under detention.

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MAN FALLS INTO HOLLOW OF TREE; HELD TEN DAYS

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 15.—Imprisoned for ten days in the hollow of a giant oak tree, into which he had fallen, Harry Constock, thirty-one, was rescued today by deputy sheriffs and farmers who cut into the tree with axes. Constock told those who rescued him that he climbed into the tree to seek shelter, and that he fell. He tried to get out, but failed. At intervals for ten days he shouted for help.

Diamonds and Jewelry Valued at \$100,000 Taken

NEVADA CITY, Cal., Dec. 15.—M. E. Grossman, traveling salesman for a jewelry firm, reported today to Sheriff W. G. Robson that he had been held up today, seven miles from here, on the state highway, by two masked bandits and robbed of diamonds and jewelry samples valued at \$100,000.

BANQUET FINISHES STOCK CONVENTION

BETTER UNDERSTANDING URGED THROUGHOUT WEST

Confidence Expressed in the Sound Spirit and Enterprise of Pacific Coast and Prairies

One hundred stockbreeders, their wives and friends, were guests at a banquet at the Empress Hotel last night, tendered by the British Columbia Stockbreeders' Association to the visiting gentlemen as the final function of the three-day convention of the Western Canada Livestock Union.

Co-operation between the Prairies and the West was the dominant note of the addresses. Much had been accomplished in that regard already, speakers agreed, but much remained undone. Such meetings as that which concluded yesterday were stressed as of prime importance in bringing Prairie farmers and British Columbia livestock men into the closer agreement that would go far to promote general prosperity throughout the West. Mr. George Sangster was chairman.

One of the outstanding speeches of the evening was that given by Mr. J. W. del. Parrie, K.C., in elaboration of his point to the West. There was room for better understanding between the Prairies and the Coast, notably in connection with the grain traffic, he said.

Mr. G. H. Hutton, of Calgary, president of the Western Canada Stock Union, who replied, assured his auditors of the sound spirit and enterprise of the West, which would overcome all difficulties and would bring the resources of the four Western provinces to their fullest development. He referred to Ontario trade remarking that in that direction promising markets were to be found. This had been realized by the convention, which had brought the attention to the fact that the West was a land of great possibilities.

Mr. H. A. Craig, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, continued on Page 7.

ADD WONDER PLANE TO AMERICAN NAVY

Latest Development Combines Aggregation of Powerful Fighting Qualities

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—An airplane which combines the functions of three usual types of planes, bombing, torpedo launching, and long range scouting, has been developed by the Bureau of Aeronautics of the navy. The plane, which is equipped with a 650-horsepower engine, is the lightest for its horsepower ever built, being able to fly with more than its own weight as a load and powerful enough to carry a greater load than twin-engine bombers now in use.

With a wing spread of 54 feet the machine weighs about 4,000 pounds, and is 11 feet high, 34 feet long. It may be launched from a catapult on a battleship's deck or the flying deck of an aircraft carrier, has a 2,200-mile range without landing for refueling and is quickly convertible to either a sea or land plane.

Constructed of steel and duralumin, except for the wings, which are made of wood and fabric, the craft is designed to fold so as to save space. As a land plane, a maximum speed of 165 miles per hour may be developed and the machine is equipped with radio for sending and receiving, two machine guns, and running lights similar to an automobile.

EXPLORER ILL; PHAROAH CURSE IS AGAIN FEARED

LUXOR, Egypt, Dec. 15.—The "curse of the Pharaohs" was recalled today when it was learned that Howard Carter, Egyptologist in charge of the exploration of the tomb of Tutankhamen, is ill.

Carter was unable to visit the tomb today. It was announced, however, that his condition is not serious. Lord Carnarvon, who originally headed the expedition, died of a mysterious malady several months after the opening of the tomb of Tutankhamen, is ill.

Four Girls Instantly Killed When in Crash Between Car and Train

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Four girls, ranging in age from 10 to 16 years, were instantly killed at Manotick, near here, this afternoon, when the automobile in which they were riding was hit by the Ottawa-Toronto C.P.R. train. Their names were Gertrude, Hazel, Doris and Beulah Tompkins.

The accident occurred when the driver, whose vision was cut off by a truck stalled at the crossing, swerved his car and ran into the track in front of the approaching train.

Meredith Tompkins, 15, driver of the car, and his brother, Henry, 12, are in a critical condition.

Polish Cabinet Designs WARSAW, Dec. 15.—The president

has accepted the resignation of the Witos cabinet, which was handed to him last night. M. Thugut, leader of one of the opposition parties, has been asked to form a cabinet.

TEUTONS RENEW RUHR OVERTURE

Germany Has New Scheme for Control of Occupied Area—Charge d'Affaires Presents Formal Demand to Premier Poincare That as Passive Resistance Has Ceased, Allies Should Relinquish Administration of Region's Economic Interests

PARIS, Dec. 15.—A formal demand by the German Government for the reopening of negotiations with France respecting the relations of the two governments as affected by the occupation of the Ruhr was presented to Premier Poincare today, first verbally and then in writing. It opens what is thought in well-informed circles to be a method of rapprochement between the two countries.

Premier Poincare, according to assurances in official circles, is quite ready to consider the most liberal reply any proposals the Germans may have to make that concern the relations of France and Germany.

Will Consult Belgium He will advise, with Premier Theunis, of Belgium, concerning any questions raised as to the joint occupation and will ask the Germans to take up with the Reparation Commission any matter concerning the interests of all the Allies in the reparation field.

The proposal of the German Government in interpreted here as a move through which Germany hopes to regain control of the economic interests of the Ruhr and the Rhineland and the railroad in those areas, prompted by the loss of prestige to

EARTHQUAKE RAZES COLOMBIAN TOWNS

Eighty-Five Dead Taken From Ruins of One City at Latest Reports—Blocked Roads Prevent Access to Districts Situated on Slope of Erupting Volcano to Which Present Disaster Is Attributed

Scene of Catastrophe Is Near Equador Frontier

BOGOTA, Colombia, Dec. 15.—Many persons have been killed and a large number injured by an earthquake which today destroyed two small towns in the region of Ipiales, near the Colombian-Ecuadorian frontier. Already eighty-five dead have been recovered from the ruins of Cumbal, which, with the town of Chile, suffered most severely from the effects of the shocks, according to the reports thus far received.

Chile is situated on the slopes of the Chile volcano, to the eruption of which the present disaster is attributed.

Thirteen Homeless Sleepers Burnt to Death at Leipsic

LEIPSIC, Dec. 15.—Thirteen persons were burned to death last night in a shock used as a shelter by a score of homeless persons no longer permitted to sleep in the waiting rooms of the railway stations here. The bodies were burned beyond recognition. Survivors said they suspected the fire was set by a fellow unfortunate, a fifteen-year-old boy who was refused admittance to the shack.

PARTY SPADE WORKERS WOULD SET UP ALIBI

British Conservatives Are Now Seeking to Place Blame for the Recent Defeat

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Many Conservatives who did spade work in the campaign in the recent general election are convinced that if the party intends to set its house in order thoroughly, what is most needed is the overhauling of the party's central office. It is asserted that at present the office does little for the districts outside of London, except to send masses of literature without any heed as to whether the ground is prepared to receive such seed, or not.

REBELS CAPTURE PUEBLA

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 15.—Mexican revolutionary forces, according to El Dictamen, are in possession of Puebla, and trains already are running between Puebla City and the port. The capture of Puebla was effected by forces under General Antonio Villare.

DRY SQUAD UNCOVERS ALIEN SMUGGLING

New York Border Patrol Discovers Gigantic Plot to Run Foreigners Across Line

MALONE, N.Y., Dec. 15.—While searching for bootleggers along the Canadian border, Federal agents and the "Black Horse" troop of state police have stumbled on what is evidently a gigantic plot to smuggle aliens into this country.

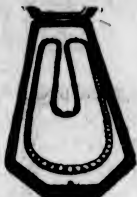
So far this month, fifty aliens have been caught along the frontier of Northeastern counties of the state. It was authoritatively learned today that the party confirms a report made public at the national industrial conference in New York, quoting Secretary of Labor Davis as saying that as many as one thousand aliens daily were being illegally brought into the United States.

The authorities reported today that they believe they had the liquor smuggling situation well in hand. Admitting that large quantities had been poured over the line in recent weeks, they pointed out the fact that they had seized more than 75 liquor-laden cars in the last two and one-half months as proof of the vigilance.

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GERMANY NOW SUPPLIES DRUGS

STATEMENT BY OTTAWA OFFICIAL AS TO TRAFFIC

Canada and United States Largely Supplied From Central Europe—Smugglers Change Base

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Contraband shipments of narcotic drugs which are finding their way to Canada and the United States at present are originating largely in Germany. The smugglers have changed their base of operations from Switzerland, following no doubt, the large amount of publicity which was given in connection with large seizures of such drugs coming from Switzerland during the last 12 months.

Large quantities of narcotics, chiefly morphine, heroin and cocaine are still finding their way in, according to P. W. Cowan, chief of the narcotic branch of the health department. It has been ascertained, he said, during the past summer, that powerful organizations are engaged in flooding Canada and the United States with drugs.

Co-operation With U. S.

However, said Mr. Cowan, the department is working in close co-operation with the United States as well as with the police of the principal cities in Europe with a view to apprehending the leaders of a large band of international smugglers. It is hoped that, in view of the large amount of information already obtained that this will only be the work of a short time. The work of stamping out this traffic would be accomplished overnight, Mr. Cowan asserted, if all the countries which signed the opium convention of 1912 would carry out their obligations by maintaining an effective supervision of the manufacture and sale of narcotics. Germany, France, Italy, Great Britain and Japan are all manufacturing the drug. It is lack of proper control of the manufacture and sale which causes the problem.

While Persia and Turkey are the world's largest producers of the commercial opium, neither of these countries have subscribed to the opium convention.

CLAIMS BANKING SYSTEM AT FAULT

Former General Bank Manager Points Out Defects in Present Regulations

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—A letter from H. C. McLeod, former general manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, to W. H. Leacock, with reference to the Home Bank disaster, which appeared in an evening paper last night states in part:

"Banks ought to be so small that one or two failures might be regarded as more incidents in the financial progress of the nation. But so long as there are banks so large that rotten assets must be taken over by the people as a whole to avoid general disaster, the claims of depositors who have been lulled into security by ministerial statements and by Government toleration of false propaganda can not be disregarded. These claims are the result of imperfect banking regulations as well as from failure to administer such regulations as are protective.

"In the case of the Home Bank, the Government and one or more banks were advised of its condition and yet allowed it to continue to receive deposits. Moreover, the Government continued to publish monthly statements of the bank's condition, although it had information that these statements were deceptive. Under such circumstances, the Government can not escape moral responsibility."

MARX' HEART QUAKES OWING TO CONDITIONS

German Chancellor Tells Press That Present Problems Involve the Nation's Destiny

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Chancellor Marx, addressing the German Press Union last night, said the entire nation was confronted with problems which involved its destiny. Domestic conditions made one's heart quake; the financial confusion and catastrophic losses had shaken the country. His government was trying to draw the country out of the slough of despondency.

The situation regarding foreign nations, the Chancellor said, also was serious, and the situation at home would not improve unless the foreign situation became better. Nothing would be done until the Rhine and Ruhr questions were solved. Germany desired peace and free markets. She was prepared to negotiate for these with her opponents, but only on equal terms. Germany's goodwill, the Chancellor concluded, should be recognized.

LEAVING FOR COAST

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Hon. Dr. J. H. King, Minister of Public Works, and Mrs. King leave Saturday for the Coast, where they will spend Christmas and New Years.

Removes Warts

"ENGLI NEWCOMAN" writes to the Montreal Star:
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Determined Suicide of Toronto Man

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—With a paper knife stuck four inches in his heart, Jack Holt, 44, single, Toronto, was found dead yesterday afternoon in the basement of a building owned by his family.

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Society Carollers Sing for Charity

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A hearty welcome and plenty of money were forthcoming for a party of thirty society carollers, including the Duchess of Westminster, and several other titled ladies, who, hooded and masked, invaded the stage of the Prince of Wales Theatre, serenaded guests at hotels and sang carols everywhere they went—all for the benefit of the poor of East London in connection with settlement work.

Paymaster Hobbed
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Two bandits today bound and gagged the paymaster of Michael Melody & Son Company, builders in the office of the company and tied with \$15,754, which he was placing in envelopes to pay the employees.

DELEGATES PASS TIMELY RESOLUTION

Declare It Desirable to Permit Importation of Breeding Cattle From Canada

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Veterinary officials and representatives of public bodies and veterinary societies from all parts of the United Kingdom, together with representatives from Canada, Australia and South Africa, meeting at the Royal Sanitary Institute, passed a resolution declaring it desirable to allow the introduction of breeding heifers into Great Britain, subject to Government certificates that they are free from tuberculosis.
The London cattle slaughterer, referring to the wholesale slaughter of cattle proceeding in England as a result of the foot and mouth disease, said he was confident that if Canadian heifers were imported as a temporary measure, importation would become permanent when farmers realized the quality of the Canadian cattle.

MAY DISCREDIT CONFERENCE SYSTEM

Premier Smuts Fears for Imperial Preference if Promises Are Not Fulfilled

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 15.—Premier Smuts, making reference in a speech to the British elections, said that unless the promises of the Imperial Government were fulfilled, he feared the Imperial Conference system would become discredited in the Dominions, which would ask why they should continue trade preference with the Mother Country if the British electorate was hostile.

Alluding to the European situation, Premier Smuts said he believed it was essential to bring about close co-operation between the United States and Great Britain. "I expect that in the near future," said the Premier, "the British Empire with the United States will take a far more active part than hitherto in securing European peace."

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 15.—Premier Smuts upholds the value of the Imperial Conference, which, he said, once more had been vindicated. General Smuts expressed the opinion that British preferences were not an issue in the recent British elections, but if they were, they were overwhelmingly defeated. He paid tribute to the handsome action of the British Government in the matter of preference, and pointed out there had been no bargaining in connection therewith. South Africa was prepared to revise her preference system, Premier Smuts said, and the government proposed to submit a scheme with regard thereto to the South African Parliament.

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EXTENDS GREETINGS TO FELLOW EMPLOYEES

Sir Henry Thornton Pellicanator Co-Workers of National Union on Year's Successful Work

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—Sir Henry Thornton, chairman of the board of directors and president of the C.N.R., is extending Christmas greetings to the employees of the road, through the Canadian National Railways magazine, published today, in the following words:

"For twelve months we have been engaged in a joint enterprise and any success we have met with has been largely due to the fine spirit and efficient service rendered by officers and employees."

Sir Henry commented upon the excellent way in which all employees responded to the demands made upon them and especially complimented those who came in contact with the public for their courtesy and desire to serve. In conclusion he says: "We will face the coming year with enthusiasm, courage and a determination to establish still higher our standard of service. With your co-operation and support, I am confident the day is not far distant when we shall justify the wisdom of those who were responsible for our national railway system and make that system a source of profit and pride to the people of our Dominion."

GOLD DREDGERS AT NOME BREAK RECORDS

Warm Weather in Far North Enables Operations to Be Continued Late in Year

NOME, Alaska, Dec. 15.—Exceptionally warm weather this Fall enabled gold dredging operations to break all records for lateness in suspending operations, and plans have been made to continue the operations or drilling to bedrock throughout the Winter months.

Residents of this town have been enjoying amusements this year that have never been afforded owing to the light snowfall.

The closing down of two gold dredges in the Hammond Consolidated Goldfields, three and one-half miles from here, the first week in December marked a new record in the history of Fall operations, as work usually suspended during the early part of November in previous years.

Many new mining developments are already predicted for next year, as arrangements have been made for eleven drill crews to continue work through the Winter months. The crews will sink holes to bedrock which will, later, be used for thawing purposes by the cold water system.

Although the Bering Sea has been frozen over on this section of the coast, less than an inch of snow has fallen in Nome. Automobiles and wagons are still being used for transportation purposes throughout the Nome district.

NEGRO RIDDLED BY MACHINE GUN FIRE

Colored Desperado Battles With Police and Four Lives Lost and Nine Wounded

DREW, Miss., Dec. 15.—This little village, nestled in the swamps of the Mississippi delta, awoke from its slumbers today and counted its dead—the human toll exacted yesterday in the spectacular gun battle between Joe Pullen, negro tenant farmer, and a posse of several hundred men. Four men, including the negro, lost their lives in the battle. Nine others were wounded, three of them perhaps fatally.

All of the wounded were members of the posse, which battled with the negro for more than seven hours. Pullen was captured at one o'clock this morning. The sheriff's party set up a machine gun and opened fire on the negro's stronghold. Fighting desperately to the end, Pullen resisted the fire with pistol and shotgun until he fell with twenty bullets in his body.

He was brought here, where his body lay in the main street until he died at 2 o'clock.

SINGAPORE PROJECT NOT YET SHELVED

Chief of General Staff Remains in London Owing to Pending War Office Changes

LONDON, Dec. 14.—There is no foundation whatever for the report received today from New York to the effect that the Singapore base has been abandoned, says a note issued this evening by the Secretary of the Admiralty.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—There is no reason to believe that the cancellation of the proposed tour of Earl Cavan, of the Imperial general staff to the dominions, as announced two days ago, necessarily indicates the definite abandonment of the scheme to make Singapore a naval base. What the cancellation of the tour really means is that the Earl of Cavan as chief of the Imperial general staff, must be at hand to render guidance to whoever may become secretary of war.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Hon. Dr. Mackinnon, commissioner for Australia in the United States, told members of the New York Bond Club last night that if the British government abandoned the project of a Singapore naval base, Australia would be greatly disappointed. Australia, he said, wanted protection for fifty or sixty years until the population could be increased and the Commonwealth would be strong enough to get along without outside protection. He referred to news dispatches from London which, today, said the British government had cancelled the proposed tour of the Earl of Cavan, chief of the general staff, to Singapore and Australia ports. The dispatches stated that this was viewed as an indication that the government would abandon the Singapore project.

Japanese Minister Gives Total of 'Quake Loss

TOKIO, Dec. 15.—The damage done by Japan's earthquake disaster last Autumn amounted to between seven and ten billion yen (\$2,500,000,000 to \$5,000,000,000). Finance Minister Inouye advised the Diet today. The loss to the Imperial University was given as 43,000,000 yen.

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Gauntlet Kid and Suede Gloves, with fancy embroidered cuffs, in shades of brown, grey and champagne. These will make a very acceptable gift. Priced at, per pair, \$4.25 to \$6.75

Chiffon Silk Stockings

Fine Sheer Chiffon Silk Hose, in black, grey and beige, are much in vogue for evening wear. Sizes 8½ to 10, with reinforced tops and soles, at, per pair \$3.25

Brushed Wool Scarves

Here is a practical and useful Christmas gift that almost any woman would appreciate, and you will find here a splendid assortment in the wanted sizes and colors. Specially priced from \$1.00 up to \$10.75

Knitted Silk Scarves

Imported Knitted Silk Scarves in plain and fancy striped two-tone effects in a big range of the most popular styles and colors, all very reasonably priced for holiday selling at \$3.50 up to \$9.75

Wool Cardigan Golf Coats

Jaeger Brushed Wool Cardigan Golf Coats for women, in smart fancy colored mixtures. Including loyal, brown and mauve. A splendid gift for the woman who plays golf. Price \$8.50

Golf Gloves

Women's English Washable Chambray Golf Gloves, in all the wanted sizes. Natural shade, and a glove that will give every satisfaction in wear. These will make a splendid gift. Per pair \$2.50



Gifts That Only Cost \$1.50

Here are gift suggestions at \$1.50 that will delight the heart of any woman, and they are most practical gifts. These are only a few picked at random. There are many more on display in the various departments.

Luxite Silk Hose \$1.50

"Luxite" Silk Hose, with ribbed elastic tops, in black, white, and all the wanted colors. Sizes 8½ to 10½. Special at, per pair \$1.50

Kid Gloves, \$1.50

Kid Gloves, in black, white, grey, tan and brown; sizes 6 to 7½; two dome clasps and good seaming quality. Special at, per pair, \$1.50

Brassieres, \$1.50

A fine collection of plain and fancy lace and ribbon trimmed Brassieres. Front and back fastening styles, in the wanted sizes. Special value at \$1.50

Wool Sports Hose \$1.50

All Pure Wool English Sports Hose, in plain and ribbed effects, in all the wanted colors. Excellent quality, and very special value at, per pair \$1.50

Fancy Bead Necklaces, \$1.50

Hundreds of Novelty Bead Necklaces to select from in many pretty styles and various colors. These will make a dainty Christmas gift at \$1.50

Suggestions for Choosing

Her Gift



WHERE would the magic, mystic joyousness of Christmas be without the gracious, beauty-loving feminine world? What fun it is to hang the Christmas tree with the pretty things that mother and sister long for. Our Christmas display of feminine gifts offers you a varied and wondrous choice.

It's Becoming the Custom to Give Gifts of Smart Apparel

Why not choose a pretty frock, a fur-trimmed coat, a sports skirt or a knitted wool suit as a Christmas gift for mother, sister or wife? They are gifts that will be sure to please.

Silk Underskirts

Our holiday showing of beautiful silk Underskirts is one that should merit the attention of Christmas shoppers. You may choose from plain and fancy striped effects, in black and colors. Priced at \$6.00 to \$11.50

Dancing Frocks

Charming Dancing Frocks and imported Evening Gowns have been specially priced for holiday selling. One of these beautiful frocks would be sure to delight the heart of any woman on Christmas morning.

Knitted Wool Suits for the Girl Who Skates

For the girl who skates or plays golf, you could not find a more suitable and acceptable gift than one of these smart knitted Sports Suits. Many new styles to select from here, priced at \$16.50 up to \$45.00

Charming Gift Blouses

We have arranged three specially priced tables of Gift Blouses for Christmas selling, and you will find many beautiful styles interestingly priced at \$5.95, \$7.50 and \$9.00. All have been greatly reduced in price.

Daytime Frocks

Why not a smart Daytime Frock for the business girl? Let us suggest one of these smart tailored frocks of navy tricot, well cut and very good looking. Priced at \$25.00 to \$37.50

Better Grade Fur-Trimmed Coats Reduced to

\$49.00, \$62.50 and \$75.00

If you are contemplating the purchase of a new Winter Coat it will be well worth your while to inspect these Better Grade Coats that have been greatly reduced in price. For a quick clearance Monday at \$49.00, \$62.50 and \$75.00

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ISLAND DISCRIMINATION

The Redistribution Committee of the Legislature probably does little more than obey Government behests. It had a half-baked measure to consider and it has left it in a half-baked state. Primarily the object in view in Redistribution is obviously to take away one member from Vancouver Island and add two to the Mainland representation. That is the goal that has been aimed at throughout. When it was found that the opposition in Victoria to this electoral riding being made the scapegoat was too strong, the tactics of reduction were transferred to nearby ridings. The proposal now is that the southern end of the Cowichan electoral district should be included in Esquimalt while the balance of Cowichan and Newcastle are to be lumped together in a new constituency. So far as these two districts are concerned the proposal is disagreeable to both of them, and they have a legitimate right to have their claims against political consolidation listened to with sympathy.

It should be apparent to all who have even a casual acquaintance with the population of Vancouver Island that there is not a similarity in political outlook in Cowichan and Newcastle. The former, to all intents and purposes, is an agricultural community; the latter is a coal mining centre. Each, because of its interests, is deserving of distinct representation in the Provincial Legislature. It is quite apparent that it would be a difficult, if not impossible, matter to secure a member who, at one and the same time, could represent and represent faithfully the coal miners of the Newcastle district and the people of Cowichan. This is a consideration that should govern Redistribution. Cowichan is, and should remain, a political entity. It has been since 1871 and nothing has happened to lead to the change now proposed. On the contrary, Cowichan has become more thickly settled and more than ever is entitled to have its member in the Legislature. The same applies to the Newcastle electoral district, the people of which have no wish whatever to lose their political identity.

The more Redistribution is examined the more it becomes apparent that the Government would have been well advised to leave conditions as they are on Vancouver Island. Its vacillating policy regarding this section of the Province has aroused a good deal of hostility. The Bill as it stands is a slur on the growth and development of Vancouver Island, which, as is apparent, is singled out for unfavorable treatment. Save for the purpose of gratifying party desires and adding another member to an already overloaded Legislature, the Redistribution Bill appears objectionable. It is conceived without expert advice, framed in a haphazard way, is to be amended by a lumping process without regard to economic interests or the feelings of those most vitally concerned, and the people of Vancouver Island have very definite reasons for being incensed over the measure. The so-called Select Committee to amend the Bill has proved itself nothing but an echo of the Government's wishes. Before the measure finally becomes law the people of the Cowichan and Newcastle electoral districts should make their claims for the maintenance of the political status quo heard in no uncertain manner.

REACTIONARY LEGISLATION

The more the proposed amendment to the Public Inquiries Act is considered the more incredible it seems to be either that Attorney-General Manson will persist in his present attitude, or that the Legislature will support him therein. We think the question is important enough to warrant further examination of these proposals, which we have no hesitation in saying, constitute a most reactionary throw-back to the worst days of an unscrupulous autocracy. We think also that Mr. Manson will think better of this matter when he thinks twice of it; and The Colonist is here in the happy position of being able to remind Mr. Manson that it has always given him credit for sincerity of purpose, and has lately had occasion to second his efforts to bring about the investigation of what is undoubtedly a grave public scandal.

The proposed amendment to the Act provides for an extension of the commissions directed under its powers so that, (a) there may be an inquiry into the conduct, character and motives of any person demanding a public inquiry; and (b) that owners, publishers and editors of newspapers supporting such a demand may be similarly subjected to cross-examination. What this amounts to in general is that the purposes of a public inquiry may be frustrated by forcing the accused to become the defendant. The defect of this proposal, in logic is that it fails to keep separate from the things that are relevant the things that are irrelevant.

We think we can point our moral here in a way which must come home to Mr. Manson. We have alluded already to The Colonist's support of the Attorney-General's effort to investigate the unspeakable conditions obtaining in

the traffic in illicit drugs, and of the almost incredible system which operates in the enforcement of the Opium and Narcotic Drugs Act. Does Mr. Manson suggest that a proper inquiry into the "dope" traffic—the sort of inquiry which public opinion will yet force upon the Dominion Government, we hope—would be assisted by a concurrent inquiry into Mr. Manson's motives for demanding it? The Attorney-General knows better than that. No doubt he could abide the most searching inquisition of his desire for light upon the dark places of the traffic. That is not the point. The point is that it matters not what may be the character or the motives of persons demanding a public inquiry of an alleged public scandal; if there is public opinion enough to back that demand, the inquiry should be held, and it should be held free of the passion and prejudice which would inevitably come of any attempt to hold it under the conditions proposed by Mr. Manson.

We are hopeful that Mr. Manson will reflect upon what is here said. None knows better than he from where the real demand for an inquiry into the "dope" traffic would come, if it could be made articulate. It would come from penitentiaries, from ruined homes, from the pitiful lips of the scarlet sisterhood, from haunts which might have served Dante for the picture of an eighth circle of his Inferno. It is because the Attorney-General has not proved to be deaf to the vast incoherence of that tragedy that we have supported him, and shall continue to support him, in that matter; and we shall expect him to declare that if the only evidence available to shed light upon the drug traffic has to come from the gutter, the prison and the brothel, the inquiry must nevertheless be made, and it must not be thwarted by the mere making of countercharges.

The arguments against such an interference with the liberties of the press as is contemplated by Mr. Manson's legislative proposal are too many and cogent for present treatment. It is enough to say that the law of libel is still operative, and has been found sufficient to protect the character of the public men making violation. The same principle which makes it salutary that members of Parliament should be privileged to speak their minds without fear of legal retaliation makes it necessary in the public interest that public men should abide the comment and criticism of the press, and should not attempt to restrain that criticism by the resurrection of vicious legislation, long since interred without honor or regret.

HONESTY IN POLITICS

There is much, far too much, heard about honesty in politics in these latter days and those who are guilty of the most sonorous epithets on the subject probably fail to realize that something more than honesty is wanted in constructive statesmanship. The man who protests his honesty overmuch falls under suspicion. "By their works ye shall know them" is a good enough motto for politicians, not by the way they vote or their self estimate. Honesty, after all, is simply a question of public duty and should be taken for granted in all those who attain public office. To be dubbed "honest" may be only a mark of derision just as schoolboy nicknames are often the antithesis of the true meaning they seek to describe. This phrase of well-meaning in offices of political trust and emolument is not a new one but is as old as government itself. It is not enough to be well-meaning and honest in politics, as Edmund Burke once explained with convincing logic. What he said stands as a classic on this subject and may still prove an inspiration or a reproach to the politician who rejoices in the title of honesty. We quote:

It is not enough in a situation of trust in the commonwealth that a man means well to his country; it is not enough that in his single person he never did an evil act, but always voted according to his conscience, and even harangued against every design which he apprehended to be prejudicial to the interests of his country. This innoxious and ineffectual character, that seems formed upon a plan of apology and disquisition, falls miserably short of the mark of public duty. That duty demands and requires that what is right should not only be made known, but made prevalent; that what is evil should not only be detected, but defeated. When the public man omits to put himself in a situation of doing his duty with effect, it is an omission that frustrates the purpose of his trust almost as much as if he had formally betrayed it. It is surely no very rational account of a man's life that he has always acted right, but has taken special care to act in such a manner that his endeavors could not possibly be productive of any consequence.

Some useful hints for the Provincial Government might be secured from an investigation of the examination papers of those High School students who have been asked: "What is the policy in reference to the P.G.E. Railway?" The probability is that the question was asked derisively, but it has this advantage that school children are being taught to think in terms of the future, for no doubt many of them in answering outlined a policy, although none exists.

Sir John Aird, speaking of the death of Sir William Mackenzie, says: "He was a great Canadian. He has done as much as any Canadian to build up the country. He was a man very strong in his opinions. He had a great many friends and some enemies; but all will concede that in his death Canada has lost one of her greatest citizens."

Norway purchased 21,000 tons of Russian rye for a price of \$900,000 recently.

Note and Comment

By R. B. D.

General McRae, the leader of the Provincial Party, has been having a most interesting time and has been making things very interesting for members of the other provincial political parties. Now the worm has turned after lying in an apparent state of dormancy for a long time, and says it is going to make matters interesting for General McRae. The Premier has taken up the gage of battle; he says his hat is in the ring, and we presume that presently the dust will rise in a cloud and the fur fly like snow in a Prairie blizzard.

It is not often that the Government and the Opposition forces enter the lists through the same gateway and prepare to encounter a common enemy. Apparently they are going to do this in this case. The General is said to have had some experience with war horses himself, and doubtless he will be found well mounted when he gallops forth to the fray. What a crash there should be when the two battling elements come together! We shall view the battle from afar and expect to derive much excitement, mingled with a certain amount of human pleasure, from it.

We do not know how the people in general feel about this impending conflict, but we confess that to us the everyday encounters between the Government and Opposition forces have become somewhat flat, stale and unprofitable. The yearly battle is invariably fought over the same ground. If the voice of the people were articulate we believe it would cry for something new, something fresh, something different from one side flinging taunts across the floor that it never borrowed so much money as the other borrowed, and so on. General McRae has produced a diversion, and there is going to be a real battle, not a sham fight.

The Leader of the Opposition has not said much on the subject yet, but doubtless he will be heard from. He can no more keep out of a shindy than an Irishman can when he invites someone to treat on the tail of his coat. He is an old campaigner, and a battle is as the breath of life in his nostrils. But in the main, the quarrel is the quarrel of the Government, and we have already had an inkling of the manner in which the bout is to be opened.

Both the Premier and the Attorney-General apparently have been looking up the history of General McRae, and have made interesting notes from that volume. Their theory, based upon the facts they have gleaned, is that there is more than patriotism behind the movements of the new leader. The General, after the manner of an eminent military man of another day, is ambitious. It is hinted that he has made overtures to the recognized political leaders, that he has even offered to buy his way into high public positions, and that it was not until such overtures had been rejected that he quarrelled with the Government, and we have already had an inkling of the manner in which the bout is to be opened.

Such are the allegations of the Premier, made from his responsible position in the Legislature, as leader of that distinguished body and head of the Government. We are simply calling attention to them because they are of considerable importance and may have some influence upon the course of coming events.

The established facts are that General McRae has set up a new political party. He has spent a large sum of money in the execution of this purpose. He claims that his motives are entirely patriotic; that he has no personal ambition. He actually refused the leadership of the party he has created. Such altruism is therefore altogether unique in the political history of this new country, and when found should be made a special note of.

But the Attorney-General has unearthed and revealed certain facts which, whether they are relevant or not, throw a somewhat green light upon the patriotism of the General. It appears the leader of the new party is not a very heavy income tax payer notwithstanding his financial ability to create and maintain a new political party. His contributions to the provincial treasury are trivial when considered in connection with his expenditures for patriotic or political purposes. Surely a gentleman who is so deeply moved by the spectacle of the Province's extremity would never shirk his obligations as a citizen.

All things considered, therefore, it is extremely probable that there will be a lively time when that Royal Commission is constituted and sets about its business. There is surely going to be some sparkle, possibly a flame of fire, in our political life. The pending election will not be a dull, commonplace affair.

For our part, we have never yet seen any good come out of third political parties. They are out of harmony with our constitution and political procedure. They create nothing but confusion, chaos and uncertainty. As a rule, it is not principle, but self-interest, that

is behind them. Great Britain will be lucky if she emerges from the labyrinth into which she has been decoyed without disaster to her business and industries. Ontario, however, has had her experiences with a third party, and extinguished it completely at the first opportunity.

The Million Dollar Doll

By C. N. and A. M. WILLIAMSON (Authors of "The Lightning Conductor")

WHO'S WHO IN THE STORY

Terence Desmond ("Terry"), seven years old, is a little fellow with a mischievous face and a mischievous heart. He is the son of a wealthy family, and is being educated in a boarding school. He is a very clever boy, and is very popular with his classmates. He is also a very mischievous boy, and is always getting into trouble. He is the hero of the story, and is the one who saves the day on many occasions.

CHAPTER VII

The Grim Reaper

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"Why can't I go home with you?" the child pleaded. Always she was answered evasively, but the true reason dawned upon the girl's mind as she grew older.

The Blue Moon Inn was popular with a rowdy crowd of young men and women, and father drank more and more heavily. His temper could not be counted on. Altogether Terry would have been glad not to return if mother could have paid longer visits, and if Julia had come often to the convent.

But Julia never came. Instead she sent present and birthday telegrams. By this time a great war was going on in Europe, and America had joined. Women were eagerly helping, and when Terry asked mother of Julia what she was doing, she said, "I am doing my duty."

Terry applied herself to this work with secret joy, almost with passion, because mother had read in some paper that the "Princess"—Miss Sheridan—had gone to France. Who could tell that by some chance he might happen to wear a scarf she had knitted?

She might even have tried to get his address, so as to post him a scarf with a note "from Cinderella," if he hadn't felt sure she must long have been forgotten.

The Prince had, it seemed, sent mother the whole sum needed for "Cinderella's" schooling. In one big cheque soon after his adventure at the inn. Then, a few weeks later, he had married Miss Sheridan, and there had been no further correspondence.

Terry prayed every night for the Prince's safety in the fighting. And as she prayed with eyes tight shut, she would think of the scarf she had knitted for him.

One day when Terry was sixteen, she was sitting in her room, and she was looking at the scarf she had knitted for him.

"Look at this," said the girl who had called Terry. "I've knitted it for you, and I think it's the image of you."

The newspaper fragment had been folded very small, and hidden between the leaves of a leather book. The girl had opened the volume and Terry peeped in.

What she saw was an enlarged snapshot of a beautiful young woman, with a splendidly developed yet slender figure, gracefully shown in bathing dress. Her head was swathed in a handkerchief cap, and the big eyes smiled into the camera.

This alluring creature had a background of sands and surf. "Julia Divine as Palm Beach," the picture was labelled.

Terry hit back the cry, "Why, it's my sister!" She remembered that, for some unknown reason, father and mother and Julia, wished the relationship kept secret. Julia's "being on the stage" was the excuse, yet Terry felt vaguely that there was something more.

Long ago, at Silverwood, the child had seen the resemblance, and now she had grown up, and she seemed glad to find it was more marked.

The snapshot might almost be a portrait of Teresa, not Julia, Desmond, except for the full development of the figure. The younger girl was already as tall as Julia, but she had the sword-like slenderness of a boy.

"I wonder if Julia has war work to do at that place by the sea, Palm Beach," she thought. "Or maybe she's gone there to rest." Terry determined to write and ask, begging Julia to answer, which she seldom or never did.

Julia hadn't changed her address since the day when she first moved to Silverwood in the smart blue car. The only difference was that she'd moved into a bigger apartment in the same house on Riverside Drive.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily British Colonist of December 16, 1873)

For the first time the steamer Sir James Douglas, Capt. Clark, sailed from James Douglas & Co.'s wharf at the usual hour yesterday morning, for Comox, Nanaimo and Port Hardy, with the mail and passengers. Among them were Mrs. Harris and child, Miss Wain, and Messrs. Johnson and May. The Douglas will return on Friday. The Flaming—Four boats for the westward from main wharf for city water works have been received by the Water Commissioners—contains skunks. (Can't be seen unless you see them.) Glasgow, 181,000.

GEN. J. C. KINCHANT DEAD
VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Another pioneer legislator of British Columbia in the days of the government headed by the late J. H. Turner has passed away. He is Major-General John Charles Kinchant, aged seventy, and his death occurred a fortnight ago in England.

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Terry applied herself to this work with secret joy, almost with passion, because mother had read in some paper that the "Princess"—Miss Sheridan—had gone to France. Who could tell that by some chance he might happen to wear a scarf she had knitted?

She might even have tried to get his address, so as to post him a scarf with a note "from Cinderella," if he hadn't felt sure she must long have been forgotten.

The Prince had, it seemed, sent mother the whole sum needed for "Cinderella's" schooling. In one big cheque soon after his adventure at the inn. Then, a few weeks later, he had married Miss Sheridan, and there had been no further correspondence.

Terry prayed every night for the Prince's safety in the fighting. And as she prayed with eyes tight shut, she would think of the scarf she had knitted for him.

One day when Terry was sixteen, she was sitting in her room, and she was looking at the scarf she had knitted for him.

"Look at this," said the girl who had called Terry. "I've knitted it for you, and I think it's the image of you."

The newspaper fragment had been folded very small, and hidden between the leaves of a leather book. The girl had opened the volume and Terry peeped in.

What she saw was an enlarged snapshot of a beautiful young woman, with a splendidly developed yet slender figure, gracefully shown in bathing dress. Her head was swathed in a handkerchief cap, and the big eyes smiled into the camera.

This alluring creature had a background of sands and surf. "Julia Divine as Palm Beach," the picture was labelled.

Terry hit back the cry, "Why, it's my sister!" She remembered that, for some unknown reason, father and mother and Julia, wished the relationship kept secret. Julia's "being on the stage" was the excuse, yet Terry felt vaguely that there was something more.

Long ago, at Silverwood, the child had seen the resemblance, and now she had grown up, and she seemed glad to find it was more marked.

The snapshot might almost be a portrait of Teresa, not Julia, Desmond, except for the full development of the figure. The younger girl was already as tall as Julia, but she had the sword-like slenderness of a boy.

"I wonder if Julia has war work to do at that place by the sea, Palm Beach," she thought. "Or maybe she's gone there to rest." Terry determined to write and ask, begging Julia to answer, which she seldom or never did.

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FORMER OWNER GIVES EVIDENCE IN VANCOUVER

Evidence of Informer No. 1, Taken in Camera, Details Preparations for Visit Leading Up to Victoria Case

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—That he sold his green canoe, powered with an automobile engine, to a short man in a brown suit, who was accompanied by F. W. Eccles, secret agent of the K.C.M.P. narcotic squad, and not to Eccles, was the statement of Charles H. Rodgers, former owner of the water craft, in testifying before the Royal Commission inquiring into the charges laid by Attorney-General A. M. Manson against the narcotic squad of the Mounted Police. Eccles is now held in bail of \$3,000 provided by the Dominion Government to answer to a charge of perjury at Victoria, laid by Mr. C. L. Harrison, acting for the Attorney-General. The alleged perjury consists of his having denied ownership of the canoe when on oath in the police court in Victoria.

Ownership of Green Canoe

Charles H. Rodgers, in giving evidence before the commission, swore that Eccles had made the purchase, as it was he who had paid the money and accepted a receipt, giving the name "Smith." Pascoe was the boat broker.

This morning Rodgers, who lives at Horseshoe Bay, was called. He described the two men who were negotiating for the purchase and whom he had been called by Pascoe to meet. One, he said, was a tall, "bushy" individual, whom he identified as Eccles, and the other was a "shorter man dressed in a brown suit."

Pascoe swore that payment had been made to him by Eccles in Eccles' apartment. Rodgers' story was to the effect that the price of \$325 being agreed upon, "the short man in the brown suit," produced a cheque which was made out for either \$425 or \$450 and tendered it in payment. Rodgers did not want to accept the cheque, so the short man asked Eccles if he would get the cheque cashed.

Eccles and Pascoe drove off in an automobile and returned in about fifteen minutes. Eccles had the money and \$25 was paid out to Rodgers in Pascoe's office. The receipt was either written out at that time by Pascoe and signed by Rodgers, or else Rodgers made it out himself, he could not exactly remember the details; but he did remember asking in whose name the form should be made out, and the smaller man had replied "Smith."

Commissioner J. P. Smith—Who was the purchaser?

Witness—The little man—the one in the brown suit. He gave me the cheque.

Commissioner Smith—Neither of your canoes had clutches?

Witness—No, neither of them had. There is a clutch on each of the same in construction and color. It has no clutch. It is a dark green.

Commissioner Smith—Well, if a person told you he saw a green canoe without a clutch, would you be sure which one of the three it was?

Witness—No.

Witness—Do you know the speed of the police boat?

Witness—I saw it at Horseshoe Bay once.

Mr. Russell—Do you think it could overtake the canoe you sold?

Witness—I think so.

Not Sure of Payment

In further examination the witness said he would not be sure whether Eccles paid the money at Pascoe's wharf or whether he gave it to Pascoe at Eccles' apartment when the police agent and Pascoe went to get the cheque cashed. It might have been that Pascoe paid the money over to him on their return. He did not know, however, that he had signed the receipt at Pascoe's office.

The mysterious informer No. 1 appeared before Commissioner Smith at a hearing this morning, from which the press and spectators were barred. He was examined by Mr. E. P. Davis, K.C., acting for the Department of Justice.

Mr. Davis—How long have you been acting as informant?

Witness—Two years.

Mr. Davis—Tell me what you know about Eccles and Smith, before their arrest last August.

Witness—When the Blue Funnel boat Tyndareus was in port, a longshoreman came to me and told me that the No. 1 boatwain on the ship had some opium for sale and he wanted me to write him a letter. He took the letter asking about the price and kind of stuff it was. I signed another name to the letter. The next day the longshoreman brought me a reply. It was signed "Chung Shee."

Mr. Davis—Have you those letters?

Witness—Yes.

Copies of the letters were produced, together with translations. The originals are held by the police clerk at Victoria.

Mr. Davis—Read the letters.

Witness—The first one is "A white fellow told me about the ship fellow that he has got black stuff for sale. Arrange price and let me know." The reply reads: "I received your note O.K. Wing Yuen black stuff \$30 can. If you want stuff send me a letter. Arrange white fellow ashore and let him know. It is signed "Chung Shee."

No Deal Was Made

The witness explained that these letters were written on a previous trip to port of the ship. No deal was made because Mr. Eccles was away. On August 18 the ship again came to port, and the witness again wrote to the No. 1 boatwain.

In answer to Mr. Davis, he said he communicated through the longshoreman and by letter, and learned that there was not much doing, as the boat was remaining here only a few days. The boatwain had been tipped off not to sell. He was suspicious.

On August 21 Eccles telephoned to the witness telling him to accompany him to Vancouver Island, and they would try and catch the smuggler at Union Bay.

"Previous to this I got a letter from my man over there on the island, and he said if I could produce a buyer with a bunch of money, to show, I can get some stuff, and I asked Mr. Eccles if he could put up a buyer with some money, and he said 'yes,' and he asked me how much. He asked me if I could put up some money and I said I could put up \$1,000, and Mr. Eccles said he could put up a couple of thousand. He said a couple or three thousands would look fine."

Vancouver Island Trip

Describing the arrangements between himself and Eccles for the Vancouver Island trip, Informer No. 1 said he met Eccles on August 21, and told him of getting a couple of letters from "his man over there," in which the latter said that if a buyer could be produced with a bunch of money to show he could get some "stuff." Maps were also forwarded to Informer No. 1, giving the location of the "smoke houses" at Cumberland.

Upon his arrival at Victoria, on the trip with Eccles and Fernandez.

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The Tea Kettle

Great Detective Buried CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The body of William Allan Pinkerton, celebrated detective, who died in California on Tuesday, was buried here this afternoon with simple services.

City and District

Ward Five Liberals—The monthly meeting of Ward Five Liberals will be held in the Liberal Rooms, Government Street, on Monday at 8 o'clock.

Music and Arts Club—The Victoria Music and Arts Club will hold its regular monthly recital on Wednesday, December 19, at 8:30, in the Victoria Club, Campbell Building.

Pictures Acknowledged—The photographs of Aldermen Todd, Dewar and Sargent, which appeared in The Colonist on Friday morning, were the work of Foxall's Studio, in the Bayward Building.

Good Cheer Club—A special meeting of the Good Cheer Club of Colfax Rebeccah Lodge, has been called for Monday at 3 p.m., for the purpose of making arrangements for the Christmas hamper. The meeting will be held in the L.O.O.F. Hall.

Children's Ball—One of the very jolly events of the forthcoming week should be Mrs. Simpson's fancy dress ball for children, which is to be held at St. Mary's Hall, Oak Bay, on the evening of Friday, December 21. Miss Thain's orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music.

Guild of St. Barnabas—Members of the Guild of St. Barnabas wish to express their gratitude for and appreciation of the many generous donations made by members and friends to their home-cooking and apron stalls at the recent successful bazaar held in the Armories, dealing also to thank all who gave their help so willingly.

Takes Part in Seattle—At a big dramatic entertainment in Seattle recently, in which the Drama League, the Players' Art Guild, and the Cornish School collaborated, one of the specially chosen items was an extract from "The Key of Dreams" by I. Adams Beck, adapted for the stage by Major Bullock-Webster, director of the Dramatic School, Victoria.

Proceeds Today—Owing to the exchange of pulpits arranged by the Ministerial Association, the Rev. Wm. Stevenson, of Emmanuel Baptist Church, will preach in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria West, today at 11 a.m. In the evening, at 7:30, the minister, the Rev. J. Smith Patterson, will occupy the pulpit in St. Paul's.

High Tension Power—Tenders for the insulators in connection with the extension of the high-tension power line from Jordan River to Brentwood Bay will be invited next week. Bids from firms in Canada and the United States will be received. This sub-contract will represent the total from \$10,000 to \$15,000, G. M. Tripp, General Superintendent of the B. C. Electric Railway announced yesterday.

Fight on Boat—After a liberal indulgence in, spirituous liquor, it is said, a heated controversy amongst members of the crew of the American freight steamer Wakana, lying at the Frank, Coleman & Evans dock in the Inner Harbor, developed into a free-for-all fight early this morning. At one o'clock the police arrived on the scene, quelled the fracas, and arrested Henry Thomas, Frank Kerwin, Thomas Gellay and George Stock.

Early Ripening Wheat—Vancouver Island farmers are being supplied from the Government Experimental Station at Sidney with supplies of seed wheat for winter planting, which ripens in the following Summer a month earlier than other varieties, and, as a consequence, escapes the usual Summer dry period, according to a statement made yesterday by Dr. J. N. Grisolia, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Ottawa, who left at noon on a visit to the Sidney Station.

Catholic Bazaar—Winning numbers of the raffles at the art booth, Catholic bazaar, Alexandra Club, are: 1985, brodered India table top, No. 1985, J. Chambers, 923 Johnson Street; painting, No. 2402, B. J. Lory, 1271 Wascana Street; hand-painted china plate, No. 2722, Miss Bell, 1035 Saultie Street; pair guest book, No. 5417, Mrs. Tuckwell, 43 South Turner Street; picture of St. Joseph, No. 2150, Miss George, Courtney Street; fountain pen, No. 104, Smith, Quadra Street. Those articles which have not been claimed are at the Bishop's House, 740 View Street.

Christmas Play—Miss Clara Powell is presenting "A Christmas Play" at the First Congregational Church, school hall, next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The play is to be preceded by a fairy sketch arranged by Miss Powell, and presented by her children, who, one of whom, Miss Julia Meighen, was the Fairy Queen in the Extravaganza. Mrs. Powell, of Brentwood, will give a Chinese sketch in costume. Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Walker are kindly managing the dress and properties, which will both be in keeping with the seventeenth century period, and Mr. Howells is managing the lights and scenery.

St. Joseph's Auxiliary—The Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Joseph's Hospital held their regular monthly meeting on Friday afternoon, December 14, when it was decided to omit the next two sewing meetings on account of Christmas, commencing again on Friday, January 4, 1924. The sewing convenor, Mrs. MacLaughlin, submitted her report of work done during the month as follows: Dressing gowns, 8; matted sponges, 17; small sponges, 188; tray cloths, 3; doctor's masks, 36; operation sheet, hemmed and marked, 5; binders, hemmed and marked, 10; bandages, 17; pieces of mending, 41; pillowcases, marked, 25; towels, marked, 4; poultices, jackets, 10; being a total of 1,513 pieces.

McRide Social Club—The military five hundred tournament and dance held under the auspices of the McRide Social Club, attracted one of the largest attendances of the season. The successful winners of the tea bid were Mrs. Silver and Mr. Buckley, while the winners of the tombola prizes were Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Bates, Mr. McDonald, Mrs. Wyatt and Mrs. Warren. After the prizes were distributed the rest of the evening was spent in dancing. The committee, headed by Mrs. J. A. Alkan and supported by Madames Burley, Roe and Silver and the Misses Hare, King, and McRide were responsible for the successful entertainment. Mrs. Warren and Mr. E. Knapley presided at the receipt of customs. The next tournament and dance will be given on Tuesday evening next in the Harmony Hall, and this will conclude the series of socials that will be given this year.



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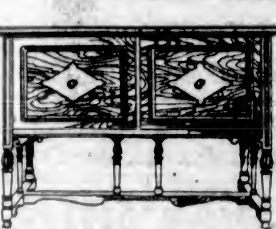


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Two Killed on Railroad

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 15.—Two railroad engineers were killed and more than a score of persons injured when Missouri Pacific trains No. 103 and 104 crashed head-on at Ambler switch, four miles north of here, shortly before 10 o'clock tonight.

THE WEATHER

Metropolitan Office, Victoria, B.C., at 5 p.m., December 15, 1923.

The barometer remains low over Northern B.C. and mild weather extends from the coast to the interior.

TEMPERATURE

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	47	48
Vancouver	44	46
Kamloops	24	43
Barkerville	10	34
Prince Rupert	40	44
Wetstein	42	45
Calgary, Alta.	29	43
Edmonton	24	40
Portland, Ore.	43	50
San Francisco, Cal.	46	52
Seattle, Wash.	46	52
Pasadena	56	62
Grand Forks	23	37
Winnipeg	22	37
Regina	24	40
Calgary	26	41
Edmonton	29	40
Prince Albert, Sask.	29	40
Regina, Sask.	29	40
Maximum	48	50
Minimum	47	48
Average	46	47
Minimum on the ground	45	46
Rain, 14 inch.		
General state of the weather, rain.		

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Highland Society meeting, Orange Hall, Wednesday, December 18, 8 p.m. Refreshments.

Regular Monthly Meeting Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter, L.O.O.F., at Headquarters, Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Christmas Gifts, Electric Washing Compound and Ambrosine Oil Polish, in box, 35 cents. Government Street Market.

Miss M. Kito is holding her Christmas exhibition of pictures and crafts in studio (upstairs), 401 Union Bank Building.

St. Mary's, Oak Bay—Sale of work. Home cooking, with afternoon tea. To be held on Tuesday afternoon, December 18.

Mrs. Simpson announces a children's and young people's fancy dress dance at St. Mary's Hall, Oak Bay, on Friday evening, December 21. Good orchestra.

Young lady would like engagements as organizer of games and amusements at children's parties during the Xmas season. Entire responsibility would be taken. Box 4454, Colonist.

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BOWMAN STOCK REMEDY LAUDED AT CONVENTION

Minnesota Specialist Announces His Firm Will Establish in Canada—Will Lower Costs to Breeders

Mr. Erick Bowman, of Minnesota, was one of the speakers at yesterday's session of the Western Canada Live Stock Union, and made the announcement that he was establishing his firm in the Dominion as well as in the United States within the next ninety days and that thereafter his treatment for contagious abortion in cattle would be more easily secured on this side of the border. The announcement, regarded as of exceptional importance to the cattle industry of Canada, was received by the delegates with enthusiasm.

Under present conditions, he said, duty and express rates added approximately two dollars to each treatment in Canada, but with the establishment of his Canadian branch, which would

probably be at Toronto, the cost to the Canadian breeder would be exactly the same as that to the American.

Mr. Bowman, whose discovery has made him a noted figure in the stock world, was brought from Chicago by Professor W. L. Carlyle, manager of the Prince of Wales' ranch, for the special purpose of allowing Canadian breeders to make his acquaintance. His home is in Owatonna, Minnesota, where the Erick Bowman Remedy Co., Inc., is located.

Instantaneous the marvelous change in his own herd in Saanich, Mr. J. S. H. Matson told the stock-breeders that millions of dollars will be saved to Canada by Mr. Bowman and his remedy. He said that not long ago he had been ready to give up and so had been many others. In the spring, however, he had resorted for the first time to the Bowman remedy, and now his cattle were free of the complaint. He paid Mr. Bowman compliments of the highest order, proclaiming that his cure for this disease, which was general wherever cattle were bred and an disastrous as widespread, was a godsend to Canadian cattlemen.

WEST SAANICH CONCERT

The West Saanich schools will hold a concert at the Institute Hall on Tuesday, December 18.

BANQUET FINISHES STOCK CONVENTION

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Agriculture for Alberta, praised the University of British Columbia and complimented Dean Kinck, head of the institution. He predicted great things for the Province, and looked forward to three years or so hence, when the convention would again be expected to be held in Victoria.

Mr. Ian Mackenzie, M.P., voiced the determination of the people of the Province to maintain in this outpost of Empire the British traditions of a thousand years. He threw on the mental screen vivid scenes from Coast history, recalling in reference to the Vanderbilt flag incident at Sproat Lake the days of 1858, when miners from California marched in a body to Government House in Victoria and there hoisted the Stars and Stripes. On their heels, he said, came the navy from Esquimalt, who promptly hauled the flag down and dispersed the rioters.

Dean Kinck pointed out that such gatherings as the breeders' convention went far to remove the feeling of remoteness that Prairie and Coast inhabitants felt toward each other. The Rockies were not only a physical barrier but psychological as well. Coast residents felt more akin to the people of Washington and California than to the Prairie populations. Meetings of this description do much to correct this condition of affairs.

A word for better co-operation between the Prairie man and the Coast farmer was put forward by Hon. E. D. Harrow, British Columbia Minister of Agriculture. British Columbia producers were best advised to raise livestock for which they still had a home market, he said. Better crops on the Prairies would make British Columbia prosper also through greater demand for British Columbia lumber and fish.

Other speakers were Dr. Orndale, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Ottawa, and Hon. Duncan Marshall, Commissioner of Agriculture, both of whom devoted their remarks to the high place which Canadian livestock has reached in world competition. Songs were contributed by Miss Marie McLaughlin, Peggy Lewis, Mr. Will Marshall and others.

BREEDERS NAME NEW OFFICIALS

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confined to the Dominion of Canada alone, but was international in character as his accomplishments were recognized by leading authorities not only in the United States, but also in Great Britain, and other countries.

"He filled many other important offices, being superintendent of Agriculture and Animal Industry for the C. P. R., and at the time of his death was rendering valuable service to Canada as a member of the Board of Railway Commissioners."

"This association desires to express its regret at his untimely death, and the great loss to the agricultural and other interests of Canada."

British Embargo

The lifting of the British embargo against Canadian cattle, now an accomplished fact, was commended by the association, which recorded its recognition and appreciation of the valuable work done by the Federal Department of Agriculture through Dr. Orndale and the Hon. Duncan Marshall.

Misleading work in the Orient, with the purpose of developing the market there for Canadian products, was urged in the following resolution: "Be it resolved that this association is of the opinion that an investigation should be commenced immediately to ascertain the possibilities of such a market for Western Canada products: That the method of investigation be decided upon by the Federal Government, and the four provincial governments in full consultation."

"Should the result of this investigation reveal the possibility of opening these markets, we recommend that the necessary steps be taken to establish trade relations and develop these markets to the fullest possible extent."

Lower Express Rates

A resolution was passed expressing approval of grading of live hogs and asking the Minister of Agriculture to continue investigations with a view to adopting eventually definite measures for granting official recognition to grades of Canadian bacon for export.

A resolution strongly opposing any increase of express rates, and favoring rather reductions in the interests of the people of Canada, was passed.

Co-ordination of the activities of the provincial and Dominion agricultural departments was urged by resolution.

A resolution was passed asking that grazing leases be placed back on the 20-year basis instead of the 10-year basis now in effect.

Another asked that the efforts of the Dominion Government looking towards a revision of the Fordney tariff be continued.

A resolution expressed approval of the stocker and feeder shows.

Other motions passed were as follows:

Tubercular Testing

"That we request the discontinuance of this campaign in so far as the establishment of non-accredited herds of beef cattle are concerned, and that we further request a conference of the Dominion and Provincial Veterinary Departments with representatives of the various purebred cattle breeders in an effort to determine the best future policy to be pursued in this connection."

Condemnation Charge

"That an investigation be made to determine to what extent, if any, this charge is made at livestock markets by all those doing business at these markets. That this information be submitted to the W.C.L.S.U., and that the executive committee be instructed to use every possible effort to secure the removal of this charge at the earliest possible date."

Railway Policy

"That the executive be instructed to approach the railway companies in the matter of securing such an extension of this policy as will include the granting of reduced rates on all peddled livestock transported from the West into Eastern Canada, thereby making available a wider market for our superior animals and give some much needed encouragement to the purebred industry at the present time."

More Careful Handling

"That the Western Canada Livestock Union urge upon the officials of the various stockyards, the necessity for the rigid enforcement of rules against rough or careless handling of livestock in the unloading chutes and

in stockyards, and that the Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture be requested to institute an educational campaign against any rough practices in connection with the shipment of livestock, giving such statistics as can be secured concerning causes and results of the injury to the flesh of animals intended for slaughter. It is also recommended that a vigorous campaign of education be carried on with a view of encouraging the deboning of all commercial cattle as a certain means of preventing a large percentage of loss, both in the feed lots and in transit to market."

Action Endorsed

"Whereas amendments have been made to the Feeding Stuffs Act making it illegal to have any adulteration of feed stuffs, and

"Whereas these amendments have been passed in response to representations made by this Union, be it resolved that we endorse the action taken by the Dominion Parliament and request that no change be made in this act without consultation with the executive of this Union."

Would Lift Penalty

"Whereas there has been established an area, consisting of a portion of the Province of Manitoba, which has become free from tuberculosis, at considerable expense;

"Be it resolved that the stock marketed from this area be not subject to a deduction of half of one per cent which is now deducted from the sale price of all cattle, and further that all cattle coming from herds which are accredited be not subject to this deduction."

TEUTONS RENEW RUHR OVERTURE

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which it regards as especially urgent, as clarification of the position in the regions is of pressing importance. It is considered doubtful whether German industry, despite its goodwill, would be able to carry out agreements with the occupation authorities.

Moreover, a settlement is required regarding the re-establishment of German authority in the occupied regions and the re-establishment of communications with the unoccupied

territory without which, it is asserted, rehabilitation of the Reich's finances and adjustment of reparations are unthinkable.

The semi-official agency adds that M. Poincaré's request that a written communication elaborating charges von Hoersch's earlier conversations with him, was handed to the French Premier this evening.

Would Consult Allies

BRUSSELS, Dec. 15.—Should the French and Belgian Governments resume direct negotiations over the reparations question as affecting the Ruhr and the Rhineland with Germany, the German Government will address similar requests to the other Allied and associated governments

with a view to a general conference, according to information from official sources. German intention to adopt such a course was made known to Foreign Minister Jaapier by Herr Roediger, the German charge here, when he called upon M. Jaapier today to request conversations with the Belgian Government over the Ruhr and the Rhineland.

See Pages Ten and Eleven For Monday's Xmas Shopping News



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Social Events

Surprise Party

A very pleasant surprise party was given at the K. of P. Hall last Saturday evening, when a large number of friends gathered to greet Miss Violet Hastings, on the occasion of her twenty-first birthday. The evening was spent in dancing, after which refreshments were served in the dining hall, where many beautiful gifts were presented, one of which was the birthday cake with its twenty-one candles alight. Those present were: The Misses Jean Cameron, Willie Wise, Margaret McDonald, May Brogan, Daisy Savage, Mildred Oliver, Jean Brogan, Helen Tapscott, Evelyn Florence, Florrie Smethurst, Gertrude Goss, Dorothy Goss, Marjory Hastings, Inez Vey, Mary Murray, Marjory Colby, May Warnock, Doris Morley, Amy Richardson, Betty Brogan, Evelyn Smith, Dorothea Smith, the Messrs. Martin, Atwell, Miller, McArthur, Gordon Robson, Jack McCreadie.

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Children's Fancy Dress Ball

Mrs. A. F. Mitchell and Mrs. Meredith were joint hostesses yesterday afternoon at a delightful children's

U. S. A. ORCHESTRA TO PLAY JAZZ MELODIES HERE ON BOXING DAY

On the evening of Boxing Day a treat is in store for dancers at the Empress Hotel, when the University of Washington Orchestra will again invade these shores armed with their melodious musical instruments and will play the dance music for the dance to be held under the auspices of the J.B.A.A. The popular orchestra visited Victoria in the early fall and registered a great hit here then with their tuneful melodies which did much to augment the pleasure of the guests who were present at the J. B. A. A. Ball.

fancy dress party held in St. Mary's Hall in honor of their respective daughters, Miss Alison Mitchell and Miss Meredith. The evening was most pleasantly passed by the young guests in games, and later tea was served. The guests included the Misses Josephine Bell, Joan Schaff, Benedicta Pemberton, Barbara Twigg, Mary and Ruth Mogg, Hazel Wright, Patricia Ellis, Betty Montell, Christine Reid, Wednesday, the Master of Richard Garrett, the Misses Peggy and Amy Walton, Masters George Goodlake, Pat Hemmeron, Jack Rochefort, the Misses Vivian Knight, Joan Watt, Peggy Pitcock, Daphne and Phyllis Pooley, Masters Paddy Potts, Peter and Desmond Bradford, Miss Pamela Bradford, Charwood, Masters John Meredith, John Mitchell, Dick Meredith, Misses Margaret White, Jean Grant, Doris Jones, Angela Davis, Master Trevor Davis, Misses Nora and Pauline Edmond, Jean and Susan Shaw, Sybil and Marjorie Beedham, Judy Macan, Master Tony Macan, Misses Buntly and Wendy Baillie, Daphne Preston, Betty, La. Gailani, Joan Wickes-Smith, Molly Gregory and Joan Spurgin.

Honors Miss Bryant
A most delightful "show" and surprise party was held at the home of Mrs. G. H. Moody, 2832 Douglas Street, on Wednesday, in honor of Miss F. Bryant, whose marriage will take place early in the New Year. About forty guests were present, and joined in the dancing and dancing which took place, after which refreshments were served. Among those present were Mrs. Cory (nee Janet Bryant), Mrs. J. M. Mutch, Mrs. G. Mutch, Mrs. M. Mutch, Mrs. Wilkinson, Mrs. Westcott, Miss R. Westcott, Mrs. Slinas, Mrs. W. Bryant, Miss E. Bryant, Miss N. Hudson, Miss B. Schofield, Miss R. Hoffman, Miss G. Hoffman, Mrs. T. Bryant, Mrs. T. Bryant, Jr., Miss Beale Bryant, Mrs. Lester, Mrs. Leach, Mrs. Neilson, Mrs. J. Bryant, Miss E. Bryant and Mrs. Dryborough.

Going to California
Miss Peggy Golby is leaving early in January for Los Angeles to open classes for the teaching of fencing. Miss Golby is a pupil of Captain Ian St. Clair, cadet drill-instructor in the schools of Victoria, and still remembered in the British Isles as one of its finest swordsmen and exponents of the art of fencing. In deciding to make this her profession, Miss Golby has the best wishes of a wide circle of friends, as she is a pioneer in this real way, as so far as is known being the first woman on this continent to teach the subject. She has already had some experience in this work here, first as a skilled and expert pupil fencer at Uppingsham School, and during the last year as a teacher. Mrs. Golby will accompany her daughter to California.

Empire The Dancers
The popularity of the weekly The Dancers at the Empress Hotel is rapidly increasing, and yesterday afternoon a large number of guests attended the delightful affair, including Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Jackson, Mr.

and Mrs. Charles Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Troup, Mrs. David Spencer, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Goss, Mrs. Urquhart, Miss Freda Waters, Miss Iris Burton, Miss G. McPhillips, Mrs. Patterson, Miss Noma, and party of sixteen guests. Mr. Robert Smith, of Vancouver, Mr. Holden, Mr. McPhillips, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Valentine Duke, Mr. J. McIlree, Mr. Charles Cox, Mr. Turner, Mr. Tolson and others.

Community Dance
Several hundred guests enjoyed the weekly community dance held last night at the Armory under the auspices of the 8th Regiment, C.G.A. The band supplied a splendid programme of dance music, which was much appreciated by the dancers. Lieut.-Col. F. A. Robertson and officers of the regiment entertained a number of their friends in the officers' mess.

Announcement
Mr. and Mrs. E. Denton Holmes announce the engagement of Miss Francis Margaret Holmes to Mr. W. A. L. Stewart, of Hartford, Connecticut, formerly of Rangoon. The marriage will take place on Wednesday, December 19, in San Francisco. The honeymoon will be spent in California and Victoria, and they will then go by the Panama Canal to New York.

Happy Valley Dance
The social dance held in the Community Hall on Wednesday, December 12, was enjoyed by a large number who reported a pleasant evening. The music was kindly contributed by Mrs. Shields and Mr. Goodall, so that the affair netted a tidy sum for the piano fund.

Announcement
Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hardie, Greenhays, Oak Bay Avenue, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Margaret Horton, to Lieut. Valentine Stuart Godfrey, R.C.N., H.M.C.S. Patricia, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Godfrey, of Ottawa.

Leaves for St. Paul
Mrs. W. J. Alder, of Hampshire Road, left yesterday for St. Paul, Minn., to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. C. F. Sawyer, who died suddenly on Thursday. The late Mrs. Sawyer often visited her daughter in Victoria.

Leaves for California
Miss Hazel Simpkin left Thursday night on the Dorothy Alexander for Santa Monica, Cal., where her marriage to Mr. Earl Lamphere, formerly of Victoria, now of Long Beach, will take place on December 24.

Announcement
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pritchard, 2832 Douglas Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn Mary, to Mr. Andrew William Measer, of Limerick, Saskatchewan. The marriage will take place shortly.

Regret Departure
The members of the Victoria Riding Academy regret that, owing to the cutting down of the instructive staff, they are losing Mrs. Bunting-Ham.

Return from Vancouver
Mr. and Mrs. James Angus have returned to the home in Victoria after spending the past few days in Vancouver.

Here from England
Mrs. Lukis and her little son arrived from England to spend the winter with her mother, Mrs. G. H. Edwards, Oak Bay.

Is Transferred
Mr. A. Sang, who has been on the staff of the Bank of Montreal here, has been transferred to the Duncan office and left last Tuesday to assume his duties there.

Dinner Host
On Friday night Mr. C. P. Hill entertained at a dinner party in honor of Mrs. Hill's birthday at his home, "Hillhaven." Covers were laid for twelve.

Remove Residence
Mr. and Mrs. Cockburn, 1888 Rockland Avenue, have moved for the three winter months to "Craigmyle," Craigdarroch Road.

Leaves for Duncan
Mrs. Tait, of Victoria, left yesterday for a visit to Duncan.

Those Who Come and Go

President Klincek, of the University of B.C., was a guest at the Empress Hotel yesterday. He attended the banquet in honor of the Western Canada Livestock Union last night. Dr. J. G. McKay, Mr. C. A. Welsh and Mr. Neil Nelson, all of New Westminster, were in the city yesterday. They were here for the purpose of interviewing the Government with respect to the affairs of the Agricultural Association of that city.

WEDDINGS

Francis Hayes
On December 8, Miss Mona Hayes, late of Victoria, B.C., and Mr. Henry Scheuch, of Oakland, California, were united in marriage at a very pretty wedding solemnized in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fraser, in Oakland. The bride, who was given in marriage by her uncle, Mr. Young, looked radiant in a lovely gown of turquoise blue Canton crepe, with which she wore a becoming hat of blue and gold. The bride's bouquet was of Ophelia roses and maiden-hair fern. Mrs. Robert Tait, also late of Victoria, B.C., who was her matron of honor, wore a beautiful gown of pearl grey Canton crepe, with a hat of metallic cloth and fur. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and maiden-hair fern. Mr. Robert Tait was the best man. An informal reception and supper followed the service, after which they departed on their honeymoon to Richmond, Cal.

Leper to Appear in Court in Glass Cage

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.—Surgeon-General Hugh Cumming, of the United States Public Health Service, in a letter today to Oscar Dewey, State health officer, offered to provide a glass cage in which to incarcerate George Heurypaire, negro inmate of the National Leprosarium at Carville, La., while he is being tried in criminal court for murder. An electrical device for communicating with the negro while undergoing examination was discussed today.

At St. Paul's—At St. Paul's Royal Naval Station and Garrison Church, Esquimalt, today, Holy Communion will be at 8 a.m., matins and Holy Communion at 10.30, and evensong at 7 p.m.

Resigns From V.O.N.



MRS. J. CHARLOTTE HANINGTON

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 15.—After leading Canada's pioneer public health organization through the years that were the most critical in its history, Mrs. J. Charlotte Hanington, fourth chief superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, is leaving the Order, her resignation taking effect the last of the year. Mrs. Hanington came to the Order in 1917. She is a native of St. John, N.B. After her marriage to Major Henry Hanington she lived in British Columbia, being identified with voluntary district nursing among sick children.

The Order has done invaluable work under her guidance. "It is the finest maternity service on the continent," Mrs. Hanington says, "and the only one giving service day and night." Although she has every reason for declining from the greatest of the work accomplished under her direction, Mrs. Hanington is far from contented with conditions today. She feels that too many well-trained nurses are leaving the Order. An Order diploma, with a good record on file, opens the door to almost any position. She believes that today the Order's path should lie in providing district nursing service wherever it is not available.

CITIZENS ASKED TO KEEP POT BOILING

Salvation Army Will Commence Monday to Sell Donations Toward Its Big Work of Charity Relief

Just before Christmas each year the black pots of the Salvation Army, hanging from tripods at street corners, make their appearance, with uniformed custodians to cheerfully acknowledge all donations given to aid the Army in its great charity efforts. On Monday the pots will be in evidence, and on the tripods will hang signs bearing this familiar request, "Keep the Pot Boiling." The money that is dropped into the pots will be used to fill the Christmas hampers sent out by the Army and will also aid the organization in other phases of its charity relief.

It is easy for those who are not in want to forget that cases of dire poverty exist in Victoria, and the Salvation Army is hoping that the sight of the pots and the recollection that Christmas is close will send hands into pockets to bring out something to "Keep the Pot Boiling."

IMPERIAL VETERANS ORGANIZE HERE

On Saturday, December 22, the Imperial Veterans' Association will open their premises at 738 Yates Street, to members and associate members of the unit. The main aims and objects of the association are: (a) To perpetuate the close and kindly ties of mutual service of the members of the Imperial veterans; (b) To preserve the memory and record of those who suffered and died for the nation, and the establishment of an annual memorial day; (c) To insure that proper provision is made for the due care of the sick, wounded and needy, among those who served, including reasonable pension, employment for such as are capable, soldiers' homes, medical care and equitable provision made for dependent families of all members.

(d) To constantly inculcate loyalty to Canada and the Empire and unsolicited service in their interest; (e) To impress upon its members that they continue in their service to Canada as citizens the same spirit of sacrifice and loyalty which they have shown to Canada and the Empire as soldiers and sailors, and to remain as members of the association.

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Pure Wool 6-lb. Blankets, size 64 x 84. Asplendid gift, and one that will prove most useful. Special value, \$9.00.

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"Griffin" Chamoisette Gloves, in all shades. Special value at 75c. "Queen Quality" Silk Gloves, with double finger tips. All shades \$1.50.

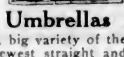


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Cambrie Covered Comforters, well filled with snow-white fluffy cotton. Size 60 x 72. Prices from \$3.75 to \$5.00.



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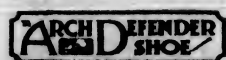
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For Father

Mantel Clocks, \$50.00 to \$12.00
Cigarette Boxes, \$50.00 to \$7.50
Cigar Cases, \$40.00 to \$3.00
Match Boxes, \$6.00 to \$1.00
Pocketbooks, \$7.00 to \$3.00
Bill Folds, \$5.00 to \$2.00
Flasks, \$50.00 to \$5.00

For Sister

Bracelet Watches, \$40.00 to \$10.00
Gold Bracelets, \$40.00 to \$7.00
Stone-Set Bracelets, \$50.00 to \$1.50
Pearl Necklets, \$50.00 to \$2.50
Umbrellas, \$16.50 to \$5.00
Gold Brooch, stone set, \$25.00 to \$3.00
Diamond Brooches, \$300 to \$10.00
Earrings, \$50.00 to \$1.00

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Bracelet Watches, with luminous dial, \$4.00
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Pocket Watches, \$5.00 to \$2.00
Cuff Links, from \$1.00
Boy Scout Rings, \$1.25
Baby Feeding Spoons, \$2.00 to 75¢
Gold Rings, \$2.00 to \$1.00
Sterling Napkin Rings, \$2.50 to \$1.00

For Brother

Scarf Pins, \$20.00 to \$2.00
Watch Chain, gold, \$50.00 to \$8.50
Pearl Link and Stud Sets, \$70.00 to \$3.50
Watches, gold filled, \$50.00 to \$15.00
Ebony Hair Brushes, \$10.00 to \$3.00
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In a Portland paper there appears a picture of an embroidered dress, and under it is the line, "Was Froch Has Unique History." Then follows the story of the Victoria girl's success.

"Once upon a time, not so very long ago, a young girl decided that better than anything else in all the world she would like to be a designer of wee kiddies' clothes. It took months and months of study and hard work before she realized her ambition, but finally she did, and now it seems almost like a fairy tale—she designs lovely little creations in the studio of the Baby's Boudoir, and mothers come and buy them, stamped and ready to embroider for the children. One of the pretty dresses is sketched above. It is called the 'Marmarket,' which is a combination of the young designer's own name."

Mr. and Mrs. J. Market formerly resided at 1904 Oak Bay Avenue. Mr. Market being the proprietor of the B.C. Sheet Metal Works. Miss Market was educated at the Bank Street, Girls' Central and High Schools. The family moved to Portland about a year ago.

WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

Bishop Cridge Chapter—A meeting of the Bishop Cridge Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held on Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Rowley Heyland, Richardson Street. A good attendance of members is requested by the Regent, as plans for the Christmas work will be completed.

Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter—On Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock a meeting of the Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter, I.O.D.E., will take place in the Hamley Building. Members may take this opportunity of bringing gifts for the I.O.D.E. Christmas hampers. The doll and baggy will be drawn for and a large attendance of members is requested.

Valentine Harvey-Beaumont Boggs Chapter—The regular monthly meeting of the Valentine Harvey-Beaumont Boggs Chapter will be held tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at the Hamley Building, and it is hoped all members will endeavor to attend.

SUCCESSFUL SALE
The Christmas sale conducted by the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Tuesday afternoon in the social room of the church, was in every respect a decided success, though the attendance and amount of merchandise were smaller than in previous years. The net proceeds of the sale will increase the church's treasury to the extent of \$78.63. Supper was served at 6:30 p.m. An interesting programme commencing at 8:30 concluded the day's activities.

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the Supreme Court last week as follows:

Estate of William John Kiddell, of Oak Bay; died in Oak Bay, November 14, 1923; valued at \$5,157.
Estate of Alfred Gifford, of Courtenay; died in Victoria, January 10, 1923; valued at \$3,385.
Estate of Mary Watson, of Oak Bay; died in Oak Bay, March 6, 1915; valued at \$46,254.
Estate of Albert Edward Reynolds, of Victoria; died in Victoria, January

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Estate of Casper Knutson, of Bella Coola; died in Bella Coola, July 14, 1917; valued at \$1,100.

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Letters of Convict Disclose Tortures Of Mind Undergone

Colonist Publishes Correspondence of "Shorty" Dunn, Who Served Nine Years for Part in Hold-up With Bill Miner—Gives Own Account of Crime Which Brought Him Sentence

HE CLAIMS POLICE DID NOT APPREHEND "NO. 3"

"SHORTY" Dunn made a mistake and it cost him his liberty for nine years. The Northwest Mounted Police took him out of the lumber of the Nicola country, where the smoke of his camp fire had betrayed him, and after his trial for the part he played in the holdup of a C.P.R. train at Ducks in company with the famous Bill Miner, he was sent to the penitentiary at New Westminster with a life sentence upon him. That was in 1917, and during the years of his incarceration, this man, who was a humorous, good-hearted soul with apparently no criminal instincts inherent in his make-up, and who had been for years the hardy companion of the dumb billy among which he was trapped and packed, despaired for himself and hated the authorities. His friends, working incessantly and with a tremendous faith in the essential decency of "Shorty," won him a parole in 1925, and Dunn is back with his trap lines, winning a livelihood in Central British Columbia under a new name. His humor is undimmed by the black years, and the faith of his friends has been justified.

Letters Tell Story
A Colonist representative has been privileged to read through a pile of letters which "Shorty" Dunn wrote to a friend during the time he was in jail. They reflect the various moods of the man, as he hoped, despaired and cried out against what he deemed the injustice of his treatment. Even in the grey of prison life, "Shorty's" humor was unquenched. He had a natural aptitude for drawing, and practised this in little caricatures which he made on his letters and in cartoons which he sent to his friends.

Included among the documents shown to the writer is a statement made by Dunn, describing the holdup which resulted in his imprisonment. In this he speaks of Bill Miner, himself and a mysterious "No. 3." The "mounties," searching for the perpetrators of the holdup, came upon Miner, Dunn, and a third man, Louis Colquhoun, in the Nicola country, and the three were taken to the penitentiary. Dunn claims that Colquhoun, who died of consumption before completing his sentence, was not the third man implicated in the robbery, but he would never say who the guilty individual was.

"Shorty" Dunn was born in Milwaukee. He was trapping, packing and doing other work in the interior of British Columbia for some years. Mr. George E. Winkler, of Victoria, gives a description of the man.

"Mrs. S. M. Allison, sister-in-law of ex-Governor Dewdney and the first white woman in the Similkameen valley," says Mr. Winkler, "resided at Princeton when I was there. This white-haired old lady was a motherly soul, and besides raising a large family of her own, she had a heart big enough for the folks around there who had no homes of their own. She used to invite us to a dance at her place each Friday night, and it was at one of these affairs that I first met 'Shorty' Dunn. He was working for Mrs. Allison at the time, and the night I first saw him he recited: 'I got to know him pretty well after that.'

An Outdoor Man
"Dunn was a chunky sort of chap, rather dark. He was lively and talkative, and rather humorous. His outdoor life made him hardy, and he would go off into the mountains for months at a time alone. He was a good man with horses."

Dunn met Bill Miner, King of the Western Holdups, at Princeton, and this acquaintance led finally to the holdup at Ducks. Later, when trying to get out on parole, he felt that he was being suspected of having a hand in the train robbery at Mission Junction, another of Bill Miner's jobs, and he denies this in his written statement to a friend, giving evidence as to where he was at that time.

Miner was known as George Edwards at the time Dunn first met him. He did not know him as Miner until shortly before the holdup at Ducks which sent them both to the penitentiary. A description of this affair is given by Dunn in the following statement made public for the first time.

"We, that is Bill Miner and I, some days later met at the train at Ducks by way of the back end of the tender while the train stopped for water. Directly after it started again we climbed over the coal and covered the crew. Bill covering the engineer and I the fireman. When I got time to look at the landscape I noticed that we were directly at the spot where we had agreed to stop the train, and as I rather insisted on the immediate stopping of the train, the engineer says I got excited. As the train had pulled

mind to keep out of devilry, he is no longer a menace to society, and it is folly to keep him longer locked up, just as much so as it is folly to lock a drunkard in a liquor cellar and expect him to keep sober in there. I admit that I have placed myself within reach of the law, a law which simply aims to punish a man for a crime committed, without regard to the moral condition of that man in consequence of the punishment inflicted, but I do not admit that I brought myself in range of a sentence having a tendency to make a man a maniac in this life and damn his soul in the next. I am perfectly willing to do what is right if given a show to do so, but no man can blame another for going wrong when laboring under the stress of a life sentence or its equivalent, a long term."

After a friend had visited him at New Westminster, "Shorty" was moved to write a verse entitled "Sympathy," which reads as follows:

"When hand clasps hand of sympathetic friend,
A golden current, clear and unalloyed,
Quickens the blood and makes the heart extend
A silent tribute to the hand employed.
A soothing solace allays sorrow's pain,
And man is richer, stronger to defend
Convinced his hand is not held out in vain.
When hand clasps hand of sympathetic friend."

"I made that up the night you were here," he wrote. In the same letter, he wrote that he was a criminal as those notorious-looking policemen and the daily papers made me out to be. There were a few odds and ends of honesty about me and have more honestly of good will of principle covered my soul. If I had received a reasonable sentence I believe I would have pulled around, o.k. and have more honestly of principle and respect for the law than I have today. Now, I don't want to be a criminal any more than you do, but I tell you honestly and sincerely

"Shorty" Expresses Ironical Opinion



Cart. with key: "Your physical test is satisfactory and you may report for duty at once; and now, sir, if you have a mind of your own let me hear it and I'll look it up for you."

The above cartoon was drawn by "Shorty" Dunn while a convict in the penitentiary at New Westminster. It is a humorous illustration of the man's own physical condition and his opinion of the authorities. The drawing shows a man in a suit, presumably 'Shorty' Dunn, sitting at a desk and writing. He is looking at a piece of paper with a drawing of a man in a suit, possibly a caricature of himself or another person. The drawing is signed 'SHORTY'.

engine when he boarded her the last time, and he wanted me to take the giant powder aboard. But I told him to leave it, but set it on the ground easy. That is all I can tell you. I was some day while laboring under the strain of my sentence and do something dirty that will undo all my friends have done for me. An overloaded mule may be able to pack his load for quite a while, but if that load is too heavy, he will go down and stay down. May it not be so with me? I have staggered several times. I'll be forty years old in April, and I know it will be but a few years more under existing conditions ere I'll be dried up and useless.

When a man, after serving a long term in the pen, is turned loose upon the world with the questionable congratulations of the pen officials, a cheap and conspicuous suit of clothes to advertise him as an ex-convict, and the usual five dollars cash in his pocket, to start life anew, "what a fate!" Broken health and spirit, he cannot compete with men of his trade (if he has one). If no other objection might arise, infirmity of age alone will starve him, and infirmity in an ex-convict means far more than is usually meant by that word. It means the loss of physical and mental energy, coupled with general degeneracy of all sound principles he may have had before he entered the pen. Do you think, after seeing me and noting the change in me, that I'll hold out the time you mentioned? I do not think I am asking too much when I ask the chance not to become a criminal.

"I'll be forty years old in April," he was noting desperately the passing of his lifetime.

Train robberies can only be stopped by proper precautions on the part of railways, Dunn asserted in another letter, saying: "I have been repeatedly told that my sentence was made severe so that it would be advertised as British Columbia's punishment for train robbery. But Dunn also wrote other communications which reached his friends by 'underground,' departing convicts taking them out.

The letters were headed "B.C.P." standing for "British Columbia Penitentiary." The institution hid behind the respectable mail address of "Box M, New Westminster." "Shorty" wrote a good, neat hand.

From practically the time of his imprisonment, Dunn seems to have commenced to rail against the treatment being given him. Two years after he had become a convict, he wrote to a friend:

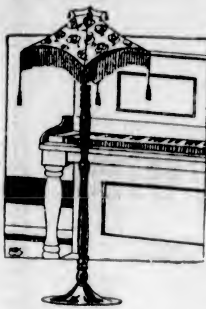
Brands As Folly
"When a man has made up his mind to keep out of devilry, he is no longer a menace to society, and it is folly to keep him longer locked up, just as much so as it is folly to lock a drunkard in a liquor cellar and expect him to keep sober in there. I admit that I have placed myself within reach of the law, a law which simply aims to punish a man for a crime committed, without regard to the moral condition of that man in consequence of the punishment inflicted, but I do not admit that I brought myself in range of a sentence having a tendency to make a man a maniac in this life and damn his soul in the next. I am perfectly willing to do what is right if given a show to do so, but no man can blame another for going wrong when laboring under the stress of a life sentence or its equivalent, a long term."

The concluding portion of the story of "Shorty" Dunn, with further extracts from the correspondence being published in this newspaper exclusively for the first time, will appear in The Colonist next Sunday.

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LIBERAL BRANDS BILL AS OUTRAGE

Mr. David Whiteside, of New Westminster, Declares No Need for Public Inquiries Act Amendment

WARNS OF DANGERS OF SUCH A PROPOSAL

Attorney-General Claims That Leaders of Provincial Party Have Gone Too Far in Their Criticism

"AN outrageous piece of legislation" was the way Mr. David Whiteside, Liberal member for New Westminster, described the amendment to the Public Inquiries Act, when the measure was before the Legislature yesterday morning.

The bill, designed to extend the scope of a Royal Commission appointed under the act, to the extent of permitting investigation into the motives of those who level charges against the Government or members thereof, is the outcome of the recent charges laid by Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, and allegations contained in "The Searchlight," organ of the new Provincial party, against Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines, and Mr. W. J. Howser, K.C., Opposition leader, to the effect that they were paid \$50,000 each by P.G.E. interests in 1915 and 1916, for campaign purposes.

Mr. Whiteside asserted there was no necessity for the proposed amendment which would give inquisitorial powers to the commission. It was going altogether too far, he asserted. When the bill came up for second reading, and afterwards in the committee stage, Mr. Whiteside voiced his objection thereto. In the hands of an unscrupulous administration, he declared, it would prove a dangerous thing.

Attorney-General Manson declared that the Government must accept responsibility for its acts and, he admitted, the amendment was "fairly wide," but he argued the time has arrived when members of the Government and of the House should have protection against the attacks which, in recent years, had been directed against them. No minister could complain of honest and constructive criticism, he held, but the leaders of the new party were going too far. In all legal actions the first thing counsel did was to establish the credibility of witnesses and the honesty of their motives. That was what the amendment was intended to allow any commission appointed to do. It was notorious that in the past few years papers, pamphlets and documents had been published for the plain purpose of blackmail.

"Scandal-Mongering People"

"Those men who have made those charges are not youngsters, but men of experience in life. One of them, a lawyer with long experience, has made charges against members of this Legislature and we have a right to insist that they should have investi-

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gated the truth of their charges before they made them, that on their shoulders should rest responsibility of wrongful charges leveled," said Hon. Mr. Manson, who held that in regard to the Rosseter charges of wrongdoing in connection with the F.G.E. and Northern Construction Company. The Searchlight had their truth first been looked into, would never have been made. If men were willing to engage in the public service and make sacrifices therein surely, he said, they should have some protection from "this slandering, scandal-mongering probe."

Premier Oliver, in supporting the bill, referred to Mr. Whiteside's statement that he (the Premier) should long ago have taken action. He pointed to the fact that the 1917 investigation into P.G.E. affairs had resulted in a report by the House committee recommending that any further inquiry should be made by a different tribunal. It was because of the fact that no further inquiry was had that he and the Liberal Government were now being attacked.

Suffers in Silence

Premier Oliver declared with emphasis and in broken accents that in the seven years during which he occupied the office of Premier he had worked hard in the public interest, no one harder, he averred.

"I have suffered in silence for a long time from these aspersions cast upon me. Seven years ago a frame-up was made to drive me from public life; a more vile frame-up was never attempted. I appealed to the courts and a jury awarded me a verdict for twenty-five cents in damages. That is what a public man gets for his services. I have in mind at the present moment a man who came to my office and demanded that the Government should grant him certain things and who threatened me that if he did not get them he would fight this Government. I told him to go to hell. That same man is attempting similar tactics today. It is necessary that we have power to deal with such men, to make them disclose their motives and give us opportunity to expose the purposes which lay behind their attacks."

The bill was then committed and reported and given its third reading without further comment.

Mr. McGee Mentioned

The next step will be the appointment of the commission. Who will be selected is as yet a mystery. The members of the judiciary are barred from receiving a fee, except for expenses. With the House proroguing by Thursday next it is hardly likely that any announcement will be made before the House rises. The names of Mr. G. E. McGee, K.C., and Mr. Dugald Donaghy, both of Vancouver, are being mentioned as possible candidates for the office of counsel for the Government.

Under the amendment as passed it will be possible to summon the authors of the charges against the Minister of Mines and the Government and force them to disclose their motives in making the allegations. The promised investigation will undoubtedly create a stir in the political arena, no matter what its actual results will amount to.

HOME COMING HAS SAD TERMINATION

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Expected Merry Christmas
This was to have been a merry Christmas in the humble little home of Bert Dodge, at 148 Summit Street, Hyde Park, Boston. Dodge, a bricklayer, came to the United States a year ago, leaving his wife and daughter, who was then two years old, in Liverpool. He was able to make a good home for his family. Then he sent for Mrs. Dodge and the baby.

Mrs. Dodge was told by the United States consulate in Liverpool that the British quota for the year was full. She told her husband, however, that someone connected with the Cunard Steamship Company, had given her a written message and said she could get through as a visitor to the United States.

Ordered Detained
She arrived last Monday on the

Cunarder Samaria. At Ellis Island she failed to convince the United States officials that she intended only to make a visit. They suspected something was wrong with her passport and ordered her detained pending further inquiry.

Dodge came from Boston to meet his wife and found her ill at the Ellis Island Hospital. He then started negotiations with the Washington Immigration Department to get her off the island and take her home, but before the permission came Mrs. Dodge died.

The British Consul General, at the request of welfare workers last night, asked Commissioner of Immigration Curran at the Ellis Island station, to release the child, who is suffering from bronchitis, in her father's custody and to grant permission for the removal of the body.

Blames Red Tape

For authority to do this Mr. Curran had to telephone the Labor Department at Washington, which granted the release at once. Today Dodge, with his sick child and the body of

his wife, returned to Boston to the home which had been prepared for a gay Christmas reunion, but which has now become a place of mourning. He blames the red tape of the United States Immigration laws for the death of his wife, the illness of his daughter, and the destruction of his happiness.

HOTEL CHANGES HANDS

NANAIMO, Dec. 15.—Mrs. A. Gordon has taken over the Newcastle Hotel here, having relinquished the management of the Globe Hotel.

Gifts that Last



We are showing this year a good selection of Christmas Gifts, all at reasonable prices, attractively boxed.

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Diamond Rings, \$17.50 to	\$300.00	Tea Sets, \$15.00 to	\$220.00
Pearl Necklets, \$3.50 to	\$75.00	Flower Baskets, \$10.00 to	\$32.50
Gent's Signet Rings, \$3.00 to	\$20.00	Bakers and Casseroles, \$7.50 to	\$24.00
Ladies' Stone Set Rings, \$3.00 to	\$50.00	Cabinets of Silverware, \$20.00 to	\$152.00
Solid Gold Tie Pins, \$2.00 to	\$35.00	Vases, \$3.00 to	\$10.00
Solid Gold Stone Set Bar Pins, \$3 to	\$20.00	Fruit Dishes, \$7.00 to	\$18.50
Diamond Set Bar Pins, \$25.00 to	\$250.00	Bread Trays, \$5.00 to	\$15.00
Solid Gold Cuff Links, \$5.00 to	\$20.00	Sandwich Trays, \$5.00 to	\$12.50
Gold Filled Cuff Links, \$1.50 to	\$3.50	Cut Glass Bowls, \$7.00 to	\$13.50
Solid Gold Gent's Watch Chains, \$9.50 to	\$20.00	Cut Glass Vases, \$1.50 to	\$12.00
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Enamel Cigarette Holders, \$2.50 to	\$3.50	Mahogany Mantel Clocks, \$18.00 to	\$40.00
Enamel Ash Tray and Cigarette Holders, \$3.50 to	\$15.50	Vanity Boxes, \$3.50 to	\$6.75
Enamel Glove Mirrors	\$3.50	Mesh Bags, \$5.50 to	\$27.50
Smelling Salts Bottles, \$2.25 and	\$2.50	Military Brushes, \$4.00 to	\$25.00
Ivory Toilet Sets, \$6.00 to	\$45.00	Plated Cigarette Cases, \$2.75 to	\$9.50
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world of aircraft joined. Bavaria, Switzerland, Austria, Hungary, and the leading airplane companies of all these countries are represented in the union. It contemplates the extension of the London-Cologne-Fuerth service by night flights along the Danube to Budapest in hydroplanes which will be guided by refueling along the river. Before 1926 this union hopes to extend this service to Braila on the Black Sea, to Russia, Persia, Greece, Turkey and Spain.



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BARON SHAUGHNESSY

Baron Shaughnessy, who died last week, was the financial man of the C.P.R. rather than the railway builder. One eminent writer declares that of all the men at any C.P.R. directors' meeting, even in the days of Van Horne, the man who knew most about the steep side of finance was Lord Shaughnessy. Shaughnessy was essentially a system-man. When he traveled he had his practical jokes and his Irish stories and his fondness for the social side; but he was conventionally as correct as a time-table. Had there been a spark of genius in him he would have extinguished it for the sake of betterments to the most conventional Colossus in Canada. The C.P.R. was supposed to lead. It was built for dividends. It had craft at its cradle. The new policy under Shaughnessy was bigger. It had to do less with Asia, with spectacle, with carved gods; more with Europe, with immigration posters, with land settlement. Shaughnessy had taken over a system which could be used ostensibly as the agent of the Immigration Department and of the Interior; effectively as the base of population-supply on its own account, according to "The Star" of Ottawa.

As Shaughnessy worked it out the C.P.R. had a scheme of national expansion that acted independent of government; its own ships, trains, roads, docks, land offices, immigration agents, poster-advertising, could the average European looking for a way out of economic slavery believed that the C.P.R. was the owner and operator of Canada—a belief which was not contradicted, except officially at home. William Mackenzie set the pace for building; Shaughnessy for operation. But Shaughnessy built fast. He did it under a handicap of two systems against one. The difference was that an average new line under Shaughnessy paid dividends, or at least did not appreciably lower dividends already declared.

"Under Lord Shaughnessy it was unofficially believed that the head of the C.P.R. was somewhat overbearing, but not the agent of a democracy, but an emperor. He had his counterpart in Japan. The Orientalism which Van Horne infused into the system even while he laughed it out of court, was solemnly accepted by the man that came after. But it was the Orientalism of efficiency. Shaughnessy was its symbol. Away from it he was of little consequence except as a benevolent citizen with statesmanlike views of how governments should govern. Within it he was mighty. He felt himself the apex of a thing that knew no provincial boundaries. He consciously made it the instrument of Empire. He was inordinately proud of its morale. To him it was a complicated army. He felt it assimilating men who lived, moved and had their being in C.P.R. as he had. He had extra power. He lived on fate and papal bulls. Men learned to tremble at his nod—not at Shaughnessy, but at the man who personified the inflexible system. And as governments came up and capsize in the storm of public sentiment, the great system went on its unshakable way, a sort of solar system in which parties and governments gravitated. It would have needed a greater soul than Shaughnessy to be cynical about C.P.R. It often needed his latent Irish humor to appreciate the larger cynicism, which it expressed an obsession with him, as it did with Plaville over a commercial company, that "the king can do no wrong." His annual report bristled with pride over the Company's achievements. He insisted upon the inherent morality of the thing and of the men who were its officials; and the older he grew the more Shaughnessy became absorbed in it. In his career the office as president reached its climax. It was shorn of much of its aspect of awe as soon as he left it.

"The war gave Lord Shaughnessy for a time almost equal prominence with Sir Sam Hughes. His quite sensible speech criticizing the hapless and costly methods of recruiting made Hughes retort that to raise the First Contingent was as great a task as building the C.P.R. Lord Shaughnessy warned that absurd retort because of his announcement to the Government that he meant to make the speech; as though the nation would be waiting to hear it. There was a retort for one super-governmentarian at Ottawa; never for two. It was Hughes vs. Shaughnessy.

"Lord Shaughnessy's retirement from the presidency was not sudden. He had reached his zenith. His eyesight was bad. But he had not lost his grip. The war threw such an unusual load on the system and he changed its complexion that it became

necessary to have a younger man. There is reason to believe that the war really upset much of the Imperial dignity of the great system. The C.P.R. was no longer a law unto itself. It was part of the national pool. The president was no longer a sublime autocrat; he was a public agent. The life blood of a globe-girding system was drained by the war, even while it retained its supremacy as the greatest railway and more than held up its end compared with the railway muddle in the United States. Never again could the C.P.R. recover its splendid isolation of greatness. Public ownership was being thrust upon the system. Shaughnessy had no real fear that it would ever absorb the C.P.R. But he had reason to suspect that a huge Government system would be more or less of a menace to the system which he had spent his life to build up. There was no better way to retire, leaving the chief administration to a man of his own choice and retaining the post of chairman along with the room occupied by the old president. Even there the old autocrat survived.

TO ENTERTAIN MEMBERS

Conservative Association Is Planning Reception for Wednesday Evening

The social committee of the Victoria Liberal-Conservative Association has arranged a reception to the members of the party in the Provincial Legislature for Wednesday, December 19, at 8 p.m., at the rooms, Campbell Building, Douglas Street.

The programme will consist of a concert, dancing and supper. All Liberal-Conservatives are cordially invited to be present, as a good time is assured to them.

ENGLISH JOURNALIST WRITES OF CANADA

Miss Elizabeth Banks Is Publishing Book In Which Canadian Educational System Figures

It will interest many people in Victoria and elsewhere in Canada to know that Miss Elizabeth Banks, a well-known journalist of London, England, is publishing within the next few months a story in which the educational system of this country is compared with that of England, to the advantage of Canada. Miss Banks was in Canada several years ago as special correspondent of The London Daily Express and The Ladies' Pictorial, and spent several weeks in this part of the continent. In Victoria she stayed for several days, having a number of friends here, and among the beauties of the island which made the greatest impression on her was the sunken garden at "Benvenuto," of which she subsequently wrote with much enthusiasm in some of the English journals to which she contributes.

In fact she was very greatly impressed by Canada altogether, and on her return to England did a series for The Ladies' Pictorial, entitled "Land of Hope," a title which explains itself in this connection. She was greatly impressed with the democracy of the Canadian schools, and her forthcoming book, which is to be published by Messrs. G. P. Putnam's Sons, London, plays up the distinction between the educational institutions of this country and those of England, notably the County Council Schools (formerly known as the Board Schools), which illustrate just the opposite condition.

Miss Banks lives at No. 5 Robert Street, Adelphi, which is practically the centre of literary London. George Bernard Shaw is her next door neighbor and Sir James Barrie lives immediately across the street.

Although in this instance Miss Banks is writing under her own name she has no less than two pen-names, "Mary Mortimer Maxwell," which she has used as a journalist, and "Enid," under which she contributed for many years to The Referee.

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CRANLEIGH HOUSE HAS ANNUAL SOCIAL

Many Activities of School Shown in
Reports Read by Mr. C. V. Milton
—Pleasing Programme Given

The annual social evening at Cranleigh School, which has become an annual event at the Willows, was attended on Thursday night by over one hundred invited guests, who spent a very enjoyable evening, boxing, music and dancing being on the programme.

Mr. C. V. Milton stated that the school had no apology to offer for its existence as a small one-man institution. Although only three years old, it had already justified its existence by its records in High School, Royal Naval College and matriculation examinations, and the success met with shows that it is quite possible to run a small school whose pupils' ages ranged anywhere from seven to seventeen years. The school was in no way a preparatory school except that it prepared for the universities and for life.

Speaking of games, Mr. Milton stated that Cranleigh with its small numbers had an enviable record; a Cranleigh boy held the Macleay cup, three were playing senior Rugby on Saturday, and one was playing senior grass hockey. With regard to the Wednesday League, they had been criticised for entering a boys' team in a man's competition, but though on paper they had suffered some heavy reverses, there was absolutely no question among the boys of quitting, and the team had been complimented by one of the city referees for the clean brand of football they were playing.

The exhibition of boxing gave admirable evidence of the splendid training received at the hands of Instructor Kinch. The featherweights, Gillan and Genge, showed good style for such small boys, the latter named winning by a small margin of points. The lightweight class produced an effective blitzer in Wainman, who defeated his game but lighter opponent Shaw. Costerton and Husband, the heavier, gave a very thrilling exhibition of fast fighting, the bout ending in a draw. Instructor Kinch showed what a master is capable of in his three rounds with Hayes, a clever boxer with a terrific punch. Three rounds of blindfold boxing between man and Martin were the cause of great merriment, the referee running as much risk as the fighter. Dr. A. H. Hudson was timekeeper and Mr. Kinch was the third man in the ring. A piano duet by Rumney and Wainman, pupils of Madam Webb, was much enjoyed, and after an all fresco supper served by the boys the company entered wholeheartedly into the dancing. Rev. Colonel Andrews, Miss Stone, Mrs. Skidmore and Jack Child presiding the music.

Soon after midnight the proceedings closed with the National Anthem, everyone voting the evening an unqualified success. Among other guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Genge, Mrs. Piggott, Mr. Ruddell, Mr. and Mrs. Melville, Mr. and Mrs. Senker, Mr. and Mrs. McLure, Mrs. Andrew Wright, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Nixon, Mrs. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Mearns, Mrs. Mearns, Mr. and Mrs. Balson, Mr. and Mrs. Torrie, Mrs. O'Neill, Mrs. Hays, Miss Streetfield, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Child, Mr. and Mrs. Melrose, Miss Stone, Mr. Costerton, Mr. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Downes, Mr. and Mrs. A. deli. Shaw, Mrs. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Whittemore, Mr. and Mrs. McKewen, Miss Welsh, Madame K. Webb, Miss Myan, Mr. Birch, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Chambers, Mr. H. White, Mrs. Skidmore, Captain and Mrs. Dexter, Mr. Wm. Downes, Miss Downes, Miss Pease, Mr. Hobson, Mrs. Silburn, Rev. Col. Andrews, Dr. A. B. Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Punnett, Miss Punnett, Miss K. and Miss M. Gailher, Miss Woffenden, Miss Haggan, Mr. McLaren, Miss Stone, Miss Stewart, John Wilson, Lex Free.

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DRY FORCES MAKE PREPARATION FOR AGGRESSIVE ACTION

Representatives from the various churches, Y.W.C.A., W.G.T.U., and other temperance organizations, met on Friday evening in the Metropolitan Church to consider the present situation in regard to prohibition. The chair was occupied by the Rev. Wm. Stevenson, who stated that the primary object of the meeting was to complete their organization in order to carry on a more aggressive work as outlined by the recent convention held in Vancouver.

It was felt by all present that there is a great need for a campaign of education in order to inform the public as to the actual conditions now prevailing in regard to the liquor traffic. A strong executive committee was appointed to formulate plans and to take immediate steps to carry into effect the suggestions made.

The following were elected as officers: President, Mr. C. A. Field; vice-presidents, Rev. Wm. Stevenson, Dr. W. J. Sippell, Mrs. A. E. Mitchell, Mrs. J. Shampney; secretary, Mr. T. Humphries; treasurer, Mr. W. H. English.

Convener of programme committee, Rev. W. P. Freeman; campaign committee, Mr. H. W. Davies; publicity committee, Dr. W. J. Sippell; chairman of finance committee, Mr. W. H. English.

Summer Isles of Eden
(Continued)

To all those who are interested in strange lands and strange peoples, but lacking either means, inclination or opportunity to travel, are unable to do so, this book is well worth reading. Couched in simple language, without any attempt at great literary style, but in narrative form, it at once brings to the reader's eye, the lands and peoples described, and one can almost imagine oneself in the place of the author, enjoying the hospitality of the strange people, quietly studying their strange habits, asking a question here and there in order, in a superficial way, to understand their motives and account for their habits. Having visited most of the places described in the book, your reviewer can testify to the correctness of description, though the author has made some mistakes, as is only natural when he came to describe motives in explanation of the scenes he saw, as for instance, his explanation of the procession to "Wang Kang," which he saw in Bangkok, in Siam, which he held by the Fokien Chinese who emigrated there. The description was true in details, but the reasons which he gave in explanation of it were wrong in some respects. "It is, of course," only natural. A man brought up under the Occidental system of civilization can only look at things from his own point of view, and when he sees, in a strange land, habits which are strange to him he can only seek explanation through an interpreter, who is inclined to incline to pull the legs of the too inquisitive stranger, or, lacking sufficient command of the vocabulary of the language of the strange, would give a very imperfect explanation, and the stranger has to supply the deficiency by his own imagination.

Place of Attonement
The Wang Kang procession is in reality held for the purpose of providing a means for all the stray souls to return to their native land, to go through purgatory, where they are believed to be required to be examined by the judges of the spirit world, and punished or rewarded according to the lives they had led while on earth. It is more or less a religious nature, connected more with the ceremony of ancestor worship.

It is based as follows: Rich people who die away from their home land have their bodies embalmed and sent home to be buried, their souls traveling with their bodies. Those who cannot afford to go to this expense are buried in the foreign land, and periodically the bones are collected and shipped home, the souls going with the bones.

But in the case of the indigent their souls must perpetually remain as stray spirits in the foreign land, unable to be judged and passed on to be reborn or otherwise according to their merits. As they are away from their families, there was none to take care of them, provide them with food, clothing or pocket money. They are therefore forced to adopt other means of finding these requisites which are believed to be needed even in the spirit world. They do so by attacking living people, causing their illness, which will require the sick persons' friends to make offerings to propitiate them.

Vagrant Spirits
Holding such superstitious beliefs it can be easily understood that if an illness does not immediately yield to medical treatment it is at once attributed to the attacks of a stray spirit. If these stray spirits can be collected together and sent to the home land, the health of the living would be better.

The Wang Kang procession is therefore a procession of the sacred boat and is held about once in three years. The duration depends upon the size of the district, as of necessity it must traverse every street, so that all stray spirits, wherever they are staying, may be given an opportunity of knowing that a ship is being provided for their return to the home land.

The main part of the procession is a boat or junk, either of paper or wood. If of paper, it is burnt at the water's edge after the procession, if of wood, it is brought to the water's edge, facing the direction of the home land and launched, when, after some ceremony and incantations are said for the purpose of releasing the spirit side of the boat which is set on its way, the actual boat is then recovered and placed in a temple to be used at the next occasion.

The procession is only held where Chinese emigrate to foreign lands, or where they have to cross the water from one part of China to another. The book is, however, well worth reading, the author has certainly an observant eye and a good descriptive pen.

A fungus disease is destroying vast areas of abaca, the plant from which hemp for Manila rope is made.

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Servicable Coats, for girls 7 to 14 years, in heather mixtures, raglan sleeves, convertible collar and belt.

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AT \$1.79—Cute Dresses of black satin, embroidered and trimmed with colored pipings. Ages 2 to 6 years.

AT \$3.29—Navy serge Bloomer Dresses, trimmed colored silk stitching. Ages 3 to 6 years.

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Girls' Fine Wool Jerseys
Special **\$2.75**
New shipment with square neck, buttoned on shoulder; shown in rose, emerald, saxe, and white. Ages 3 to 7 years.

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Tuxedo coat styles and smart pull-overs, fine knit weaves; colors, sand, emerald, orange and Copenhagen. Ages 10 to 14 years.

Wool Pull-Over
Special **\$1.79**
Unusual values; fine wool with roll collar; turquoise and rose, trimmed sand. Ages 6 to 12 years.

Girls' Pleated Skirts
Special **\$3.50**
Attractive plaid designs, in good assortment of colors; attached to cotton waist. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

Blanket Cloth Coats
Regular to \$6.50. Sale **\$4.95**
Warm coats for little tots, in scarlet, navy, Copenhagen, brown and sand; with belt and pockets; lined throughout. Ages 3 to 6 years.

Down Comforters Make Ideal Christmas Gifts

Down Comforters, Floral Art Saten Coverings in pastel effects, filled with real purified down. Size 60 x 72.

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Wool Comforters. Regular \$19.50. Sale \$12.95
Silk-covered in old rose and blue, filled with pure white wool. Size 60 x 72.

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Irish manufacture, choice designs and splendid wearing quality.
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All Pure Irish Linen, special weave for embroidery work.
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Fancy Linen Huck Toweling, 18 inches wide. Yard **\$1.00**

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18 inches wide. Yard **50c**
24 inches wide. Yard **65c**
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Napkins to match, size 23 x 23. Special, per dozen **\$3.95**

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Hemstitched Damask Tablecloths, \$1.75 Each
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15 dozen only to sell at this price, hemmed ready for use. Size 18 x 36 inches. **59c**

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Dainty Silk Camisles

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Wash satin and heavy quality crepe de Chine, filet lace insertion, shoulder strap, or small sleeve, flesh and white; sizes 36 to 44.

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Dainty Voile Embroidered Dresses, \$1.00 to **\$4.75**
Cashmere Dresses, smocked and embroidered, \$2.50 to **\$4.25**
Silk Dresses, \$2.39 to **\$4.75**
Wool Toques and Bonnets, 50c to **\$2.65**
Wool and Silk Mitts, 15c to **75c**
Wool Booties, in large variety, 30c to **\$1.00**
Dainty Wool Jackets, \$1.50 to **\$2.75**
Wool Pull-Over, \$1.25 to **\$2.98**
Kid Shoes, soft soles. Special at **\$1.25**
Ribs, embroidered and lace trimmed, 20c to **\$1.35**
Honeycomb and Fancy Knit Shawls, \$2.50 to **\$7.50**
Silk Cot Covers, embroidered designs, \$2.50 to **\$6.75**
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MARK HAWKERS ARE DRIVEN FROM STREETS

PARIS, Dec. 15.—German bank notes, mostly in millions and billions, have been driven off the streets of Paris by the police. They were sold chiefly as souvenirs or given as premiums, but the city authorities discovered a wartime law forbidding traffic in foreign monies except under license, and they have applied it. Just why this law should have been dug up now, after German cur-

rency had been circulating widely for several years, puzzled the curious, as they felt it to be quite worth while for the French to see to what depths the mark had fallen. The authorities, however, thought the influence

of the depreciated German money was bad, for it could not stimulate the people's confidence in governments or currencies, even their own, to have before them the evidence of a once great nation in the depths of despair.

Fire Near Quebec

QUEBEC, Dec. 15.—Eighteen houses were destroyed early this morning by a fire of unknown origin which broke out in Little River, west of Quebec City. There were forty tenements affected, eight of which were occupied.

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URGES HOUSE TO HURRY WITH BILL

Mayor Hayward, Impatient at
Delay Over City's Legisla-
tion, Wants "Character
Sketches" Left for While

SAYS REAL BUSINESS IS SUFFERING DELAY

Claimed City Solicitor Is Com-
pelled to Spend Hours Wait-
ing While Reputations Are
Blackened

"If the members of the Legislature want to include in our statutes I wish they would wait until they have completed the real business they have entered to transact," Mayor Hayward told the Council yesterday.

"The city's private bill has been held up for some days, and the City Solicitor has been compelled to spend hours in vain for it to be dealt with, when his attention is desired in regard to other matters."

"Included in the private bill are certain provisions required for the amusement centre project. On Monday the Council wants to pass the amendment centre bill, but it can be placed before the ratepayers on December 23, but if the bill is not passed by Monday, I am not certain that our plans can be carried out."

"Further than that, the Bank of Montreal wants to know when the Legislature is going to pass the city's bill which will validate the city's by-law covering the refunding of the bank overdraft. I'm going to reply that when the members of the Legislature get a respite from the absorbing task of giving biographical details of people who are giving biographical details of them, they will no doubt dispose of the city's legislation."

It is a pity that the Legislature do not get finished with the real business before they proceed with their character sketches."

TWO MONTHS GONE AND LITTLE DONE

LEGISLATURE ENTERING WEEK
BEFORE PROROGATION

Holds Special Session in an Effort
to Regain Lost Time—Much
Unfinished Business

After nearly two months in session, with very little of legal business being done, the Legislature is entering upon what will be its last week before prorogation. Yesterday morning, at an extra Saturday sitting, the Government produced its liquor legislation for the session. Outside of this, the House has practically nothing to show in the way of legislation for the weeks that it has been sitting.

The question of a Royal Commission to consider the P.E.I. affairs has not been dealt with as provided for by a resolution standing on the order paper in the name of Mr. Hinchliffe, of the Opposition. The Government is evidently holding this over until the proposed amendment to the Public Inquiries Act has been disposed of in the House, so that the commission, if it is appointed, may be governed by the new legislation.

Members are asking whether the Attorney-General's amendment should come under the Public Inquiries Act, or should more properly be placed under the Game Act, inasmuch as the amendment in its effect is to declare a close season for members of the Government, whom it is evidently hoped to make immune from attack by individuals or newspapers.

The eight-hour bill promulgated by the Government in the speech of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the House, has not yet made its appearance in the House, although the end of the session is only a few days away. The Government is having a great deal of difficulty in harmonizing the views of the members on this subject and of the supporters of the Government that press for such a measure as a means of ensuring their return to the House in case of an election.

FRIENDLY HELP IS SEEKING DONATIONS

Many Families Will Have No Christmas Unless Citizens Provide It Through Contributions

With the season's spirit in their hearts, folks are daily leaving the rooms of the Friendly Help Association gifts of money and provisions so that families in straitened circumstances may "have a Christmas." Visitors have been going round the city, searching out the homes where there will be no Christmas dinner unless the Friendly Help provides it. There are many such cases, and the Association is appealing to the people who will themselves have a real Christmas to contribute something which will bring the season's cheer to others less fortunate.

Provisions of all kinds will be welcomed, particularly plum puddings, for this is one item whose long association with the Yuletide has surrounded it with a special significance of its own. Cash contributions will also be greatly appreciated, and will be used to aid in filling the Christmas hampers. Donations should be sent in by next Thursday at the latest.

The annual and varied donations of the school children will be turned in to the Friendly Help headquarters on Tuesday. The rooms will be open every weekday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Christmas.

NO LIQUOR "ADS" ACCEPTED

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The liquor trade is protesting against the refusal by the Postoffice Department to accept liquor advertisements for display either in the postoffice or postal publications. The reason given by the government is that the postoffice is making no distinction in the matter, but that it is a government order to all departments that no licensed trade advertisements shall be accepted.

TURKEY SHOOT IS PUZZLE TO LADIES OF TENDER HEART

What is a turkey shoot? People have been asking that question of Inspector G. T. Maurice, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and they have been asking it in such a way that Mr. Maurice is inclined to think there may be a certain popular ignorance as to the nature of a turkey shoot.

Ladies have been ringing the inspector up on the telephone, asking him why he does not stop this cruel sport. One lady thought it was brutal, and did not know how people could do it. Another lady wanted to know if all the birds shot at the same poor turkey. Still another lady, merciful of heart, could not see how they got the poor birds to fly before they shot at them. A fourth lady had noted that competitors were instructed to bring a rifle and a sack, and she thought it was terrible to think of bringing home the slaughtered fowl in that way.

Inspector Maurice has been telling all these kind ladies that a turkey shoot is not that sort of brutality at all. He has explained that a turkey shoot is a contest of rifle shooting at a target, in which the prize is a turkey, dressed and trussed, ready for the Christmas board. Mr. Maurice has been pleased to advise turkey shooters that the intervention of the S. P. C. A.

Scouts and Scouting

Contributed by the Victoria Boy-
Scout Association

District Commissioner—G. H. Scarrett, 957 Meares Street.

Chairman of Executive—H. T. Ravenhill, 23 Dallas Avenue.

Collegiate School—Scoutmaster, R. E. Honour; Cubmaster, T. Emmerson; Scouts and Cubs, Wednesday, 3:30.

Fairfield, 1236 Richardson Street—Scoutmaster, C. S. Frampton; Scouts, Thursday, 7:30; Cubs, Friday, 4:30.

Hillside, Centennial Church Annex—Scoutmaster, A. MacArthur; Cubmaster, H. G. Rabey; Scouts, Thursday, 7:30; Cubs, Wednesday, 4:30.

James Bay, J. B. A. A. St. James Street—Scoutmaster, R. W. Hartley; Scouts, Thursday, 7:30; Cubs, Tuesday, 7:15.

Aidan's School—Scoutmaster, J. S. MacIntyre; Scouts, Thursday, 3:30; Cubs, Monday, 3:30.

St. John's Church—Cubmaster, S. E. Sheldon-Williams; Friday, 7.

St. Mary's, 2081 Chaucer Street, Oak Bay—Scoutmaster, L. S. Sykes; Cubmaster, D. Hillard; Scouts, Thursday, 7:30; Cubs, Tuesday, 4:30, and Thursday, 6.

St. Michael's School—Scoutmaster, J. D. Southworth; Cubmaster, E. Symons; Scouts, Tuesday, 3:30; Cubs, Thursday, 3:45.

Third Troop, 1247 Richardson Street—Scoutmaster, R. A. Wootton; Friday, 7:30.

Victoria West, 631 Esquimalt Road—Scoutmaster, A. MacArthur; Scouts and Cubs, Friday, 7.

At the executive meeting on Monday the committee on camp sites reported progress, and arrangements were made for a party to go out and view the spot suggested for a permanent district camping ground.

The Scout Officers' Council held its annual election on Wednesday, and the following were appointed to take office at the New Year: Chairman,

Scoutmaster Hartley, vice Scoutmaster MacArthur, resigned; vice-chairman, Scoutmaster MacArthur; secretary, Acting Scoutmaster Wilkinson, re-elected; badge committee, Scoutmaster Frampton, vice Scoutmaster Sikes, leaving district awards committee, Cubmasters Hillard and Sheldon-Williams, and Acting Scoutmaster MacKenzie, field day committee, Scoutmasters Wootton and Honour, and one member to be appointed from the executive committee.

The district commissioner announced the commencement of a training course early in January, to be part of the Gillwell training scheme, and it is hoped that every Scout in Victoria and the neighboring district will enrol for the course which lasts for ten weeks, one evening a week, and an occasional Saturday afternoon hike for field work. In order to provide for several patrols for competitive purposes, it was decided that a limited number of those not at present connected with scouting should be invited to attend and gain an inside knowledge of our aims and methods, and the names of any wishing to attend the classes should be sent in to the district commissioner as soon as possible.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—John William Lieb, of New York, has been awarded the Edison medal for 1923 by the Edison medal committee of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. It was announced today, for the development and operation of electrical central stations for illumination and power. Mr. Lieb, sixty-three years old, is vice-president of the New York Edison Company. For several years he was assistant to Thomas A. Edison. He is the thirtieth man to receive the award.

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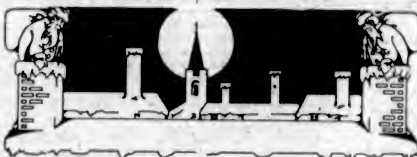
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BEER CLUBS ARE NEARING DOOM

Attorney-General, After Long Delay, Tables Bill Providing for Plebiscite on Sale of Beer by Glass—Privilege of Voting on General Question of Prohibition Will Not Be Allowed—Provision Made for Application of Local Option

THE long-looked-for legislation under which plebiscites will be made for the taking of a vote on the issue of the sale of beer by the glass in this province, was tabled in the legislature yesterday morning by Hon. A. M. Manson, Attorney-General. And with it was a bill to amend the existing government liquor act, granting the government wider powers to license clubs for the sale of beer.

Both measures were given first reading and will be discussed tomorrow, when the Attorney-General will move their second reading.

The question to be put to the electors will be as follows: "Do you approve of the sale of beer by the glass in licensed premises, under government control and regulation?"

There will be no opportunity at the plebiscite for a vote on the issue of prohibition, it is stated, as the government does not feel that at the present time that is an issue. But it is set forth in the bill, that "more

than one question may be submitted to vote under this act at the same time and on the same or separate ballot papers."

It is provided that all expenses of such a plebiscite shall be paid out of the funds of the Liquor Control Board. Sale by the glass will follow if the plebiscite result shows that the total number of votes in the affirmative exceeds three-fifths of the total vote cast.

Local Option

Provision is made for the application of the principle of local option to the extent that if the provincial vote was largely for or against the sale of beer by the glass and there was a close vote in any particular riding opposed to the tenor of the whole vote of the province, then in that riding it will be possible to hold another vote on the question to determine whether beer should be sold by the glass in that riding or not.

The amendments to the government liquor act provide for the licensing of clubs, provided the plebiscite passes. A club is defined as "a society or association of persons, incorporated or unincorporated, organized or carried on for the purpose of furnishing refreshment or amusement, or for social, athletic, recreational, fraternal, benevolent, educational or other purposes." All clubs will be licensed by the Liquor Control Board. Club licenses will not be transferable and will expire annually at midnight of December 31. The Liquor Control Board is given wide powers in cancellation or suspension of licenses. The premises of every club which does not hold a valid license shall be deemed to be a public place within the meaning of the act, that is, it will be illegal for it to have any liquor upon the premises. All licensed clubs are taken from the control of the municipalities.

The net result of the new regulations, it is believed by the Attorney-General, will be to wipe out the so-called beer clubs, leaving only the recognized social clubs. Members of such clubs will be permitted to have liquor for their own use, provided the club possesses a license. Licenses, but in respect of unlicensed clubs, it is provided that where anyone keeps or consumes liquor in such a club shall be deemed to be the person by whom the liquor is so kept or consumed and shall be liable to prosecution, while the person actually keeping or consuming the liquor shall also be guilty. Power to enter all club premises without permit is granted to Provincial officials.

How to Get License

In the event of the plebiscite for the sale of beer by the glass being passed by the electors, the Liquor Act amendments provide for beer licenses for sale by the glass. Every applicant for such a license must advertise in at least two issues of a newspaper in the locality, not more than thirty nor less than ten days before filing of application with the Liquor Control Board. The Board will have full power to investigate the character of the applicant and the nature of the premises for which application has been made, and to cancel or suspend licenses when once granted. No license will be permitted to have a bar or counter and no liquor other than beer shall be sold.

It was rumored in legislative corridors yesterday that the government is planning to hold the plebiscite at an early date, probably about the end of March. The Election Act required that there shall be a revision of the voters' list within six months of the taking of a poll. The last revision was in June, and it would take practically three months to prepare a new list and get it printed. The prediction is that the government is ready to spring an election and by setting a date for the plebiscite and with a voters' list revision presumably for that vote, could take the Opposition by surprise by suddenly calling a general election.

A number of members of the House believe that in view of the government's decision to, at last, submit the question of the sale of beer by the glass to the electors, that there should be coupled with beer, light wines for the sale of which there has been considerable agitation and pressure from the women's organizations among others.

Province Might DIRECT INQUIRY

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of the public business thereof." It is contended by those who demand that the Province shall investigate the "red" scandal. If the Dominion Department of Justice persists in its present attitude on the side of the accused men, that section 3 of the amended Public Inquiries Act gives the Province full powers to conduct its own investigation.

Courts Versus Inquiry
Whatever is the finding of Commissioner Smith, as the result of the investigation now in progress, it is certain that the demand for a more searching inquiry will be continued. Meanwhile Messrs. Manson and Harrison take the position that Commissioner Smith has satisfied his inquiry by refusing to hear proffered evidence; and that it is a waste of time and public money for the Province to be further represented before a tribunal which prevents the accused from presenting his evidence.

The recent arrest of F. W. Eccles, one of the accused "moonshiners," and who was convicted and sentenced to imprisonment by Magistrate Jay on charges included in the scope of the present investigation, is an indication of the course likely to be pursued by the Attorney-General. Eccles is charged with perjury, alleged to have been committed before Magistrate Jay. The situation, from the Attorney-General's point of view, is apparently that of the Criminal Courts versus an abortive inquiry.

War-time Prisoners Released

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—President Coolidge today ordered the release of all remaining imprisoned violators of war laws. About thirty persons will gain the liberty as a result of the order. They were convicted in various cases of Chicago, Kansas City and Sacramento.

Buried in the East



JOHN R. RATHBONE
From a photograph taken at the time he was a member of The Colonist staff.

PROVIDENCE, R.I., Dec. 15.—Funeral services for John R. Rathbone, editor of The Providence Journal and Evening Bulletin, were held today at Grace Episcopal Church. Representatives from newspaper organizations in several sections of the country were among the hundreds who filled the church.

BIBLE STUDENTS LEASE BUILDING

RELIGIOUS CULT TO ENTER SCOTT STRUCTURE

Well-Known Block Will Be Transformed Into Apartments to House Two Hundred Members

The Scott building, at the corner of Douglas and Hillside avenues, which was erected at the outbreak of the war by the late Mr. Robert Scott, and has been practically abandoned since its construction, has been leased by a branch of the Bible Students, and the two upper stories will at once be completely renovated and transformed into apartments for members of the sect.

The announcement that this block, which occupies a prominent corner of the city, will be pressed into service will be learned with much satisfaction by Victorians, and it is expected that several hundred members of the sect will come to this city, make their residence in the Scott block, where religious services will be conducted every evening in a lecture hall that will be specially built.

The majority of these Bible students who will settle here, are retired farmers from the United States Middle West, most of them coming from Colgate, Wisconsin. Three parties of twenty-five each have already reached the North American continent, and four leaders of the sect will come to this city and carry on their work from here. Adherents of this religion are in no way associated with the International Bible Students' Association.

The arrival of this group of well-to-do farmers is due largely to the immigration work carried on in the United States by Canadian immigration agents, and the literature that they received from time to time from the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau.

TUBERCULOSIS IN CATTLE IS COSTLY

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT HAS SPENT LARGE SUM

Stockmen Urged to Expand Sheep Ranching in Provinces of Western Canada

Approximately \$100,000 has been spent by the British Columbia Government in an effort to stamp out bovine tuberculosis in the province, according to a statement made by Dr. D. Warnock, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, at the session yesterday morning of the Western Canada Livestock Union convention. Compensation for animals killed because of tubercular infection reached a maximum of \$300 for registered stock, he said, and \$100 for grade stock, and altogether had cost the province \$20,000. Eight fully qualified veterinarians were employed, and expenses connected therewith brought the total to \$100,000.

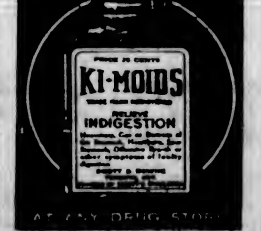
So far the work had been confined to dairy herds in various parts of the province, and he claimed that British Columbia was the only province of Canada which was undertaking the duty of eliminating the disease. Negotiations were under way to transfer the work from the Provincial Government to the Federal authorities, and Dr. Warnock expected action in this direction shortly.

Mr. W. L. Carlyle, manager of the R.P. Ranch, Alberta, advocated the holding of a conference of leading stock men of the West for the purpose of evolving a plan which would bring the results required quickly.

Sheep Ranching

Mr. W. H. Fairfield, superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Farm, Lethbridge, delivered an informative address on "Some Experimental Results With Feeding and Rearing of Sheep in Southern Alberta." Speaking of sheep ranching generally, Mr.

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Xmas Dinner

If you have not reserved your table at KELWAY'S, "Why Not?" Our Old English Dining-Room with its 12 cosy nooks and 20 other tables to choose from, is the only suitable place in Victoria for a Merry Xmas.

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Fairfield stated that it was an industry which farmers of Canada had long neglected, and it offered great opportunities. Steady markets were available for wool and mutton, he stated, and those who were engaged in sheep raising were making money. He believed Western Canada could expand its present sheep industry to three times its size and still retain a brisk market for the products. The Pacific Coast constituted one of the most valuable markets.

Relative to his experiments in Southern Alberta, Mr. Fairfield touched on matters pertaining to feeding and rearing generally, and much essential information was gained from his address. Feeding work, he said, had been designed as much as possible in order to utilize supplies of alfalfa hay, so abundant in Southern Alberta, and it had been established that lambs would thrive on the feed and bring a profit to the raiser. Better results had been obtained from root feed, but not sufficiently so to warrant the extra cost of such feeding. Relative to feeding of corn and sunflower ensilage, he said that while good results were secured, they were not equal in profit returned, to alfalfa hay which was obtainable in practically unlimited quantities. Range bred lambs had proved more profitable than farm bred lambs, as the latter were often overweight before the winter was far advanced.

PROGRAMME AT BAND CONCERT

Mrs. Jessie Longfield and Mr. Kenneth Angus Will Contribute Vocal Selections

The second or the fifth series of Sunday evening band concert takes place tonight, at the Capitol Theatre, after church hours, commencing at 8:30 o'clock. The 16th Canadian Scottish musicians will be conducted by Bandmaster James M. Miller, who has arranged a fine programme of contrasting numbers, including "A Polar Suite," the "Reminiscences of Scotland," and the "Light Cavalry" overture.

The assisting artists this evening will be Mrs. Jessie Longfield, the well-

known local contralto, who is introducing a new song, and Mr. Kenneth Angus, whose appearance will be in the nature of a farewell, as he leaves this week for Portland, Oregon, for further study under a great music master now visiting there.

COMING EVENTS

Meet Tomorrow—Court Vancouver, A.O.F., will hold its regular meeting on Monday at 8 o'clock.

Saatchi Politics—A special meeting of Saatchi Ward Four Rats-payers Association will be held at Marigold Hall on Monday at 8 p.m. to consider nominations for municipal office.

Equimait Methodists—At Equimait Methodist Church this morning Rev. G. H. Fuller, of the Shanty-men's Mission, will preach at 11 o'clock. In the evening at 7:30 o'clock Rev. W. H. Regman will preach in accordance with the pulp exchange plan. The lantern lecture proposed for Tuesday has been postponed.

Statement of Theosophy—The Victoria Theosophical Society will hold its usual weekly public meeting in the rooms, 101 Union Bank Building, today at 8 p.m. The subject under consideration will be "An Epitome of

Theosophy" as presented by W. Q. Judge. There will be time for questions and open discussion of the subject. A welcome is extended to all.

Daughters of St. George—Daughters of St. George, No. 53, will hold their regular meeting in Harmony Hall Monday night. Installation of officers and other important business to be attended to. All sisters are asked to be present.

Centennial Debate—A debate on

the resolution, "Resolved that party politics should be abolished in British Columbia," will take place on Monday night at 8 o'clock under the auspices of the Centennial Young People's Society in the Centennial Church schoolroom. Messrs. G. E. Grist and Cecil Johnston will take the affirmative, while the negative will be represented by Messrs. H. Wilder and H. Hadland. There will also be a musical programme. All interested in the question to be discussed are invited to attend.

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Great Railway Builder Was Hard to Approach

Sir William Mackenzie, Who Died Recently, Was Regarded as Perhaps the Greatest of Dominion's Human Creative Forces, Yet He Was Often Misunderstood—Intimate Personal Glimpse of His Career Gives Insight Into Character of Former C.N.R. Chief

ONE of the greatest—if not, in fact, the greatest—human creative and constructive forces that Canada has known was Sir William Mackenzie. His death marks the conclusion of a career filled with achievement but shortened by the physical strain it exacted. Perhaps no other of Canada's big men has been so little understood—and so much misunderstood. A man of boundless ambition and inexhaustible energy, he accomplished in his full and active life what will probably never be duplicated in Canada. Sir William always shunned publicity. His joy and satisfaction was accomplishment. That he seldom received the credit due him was partly his own fault. If the people did not understand that was their business so far as he was concerned. To the general public he has been depicted as a Sphinx, an octopus of business, a genius for organising and sagaciousness. Had he come out boldly in print as other men have done, he might have proven that he was only daring, that he was making Canada's wealth available for Canadians and filling the deserts that many might be fed. Mackenzie had his work to do and was too busy doing it to take time to tell people about it. He neither asked for praise nor resented blame—he worked.

Sir William was a hard man to know. In the following article Austin J. Campbell gives some intimate glimpses of his life and character.

Those who have labored with Sir William, who have shared his successes and portions his defeats, have experienced his unswerving loyalty, his radiant optimism, and have been inspired by his unconquerable faith in Canada. To them, Mackenzie was Canada's greatest builder; a tireless genius of organization, an unimpeachable friend, to whom the making of money was only "a game" and wealth merely a means of measuring work accomplished.

Who was it that said: "There's the man who plans things, makes things—builds things—takes off his coat and takes right hold and does things?"

Whoever it was, he might have had Mackenzie in mind, for that is a photograph of the man. To secure power and greatness, wealth or fame, and what to do with them if he got them, was a secondary consideration. If he thought of it at all, one thing only he desired, viz., to achieve, to accomplish, to create—to do things.

The Joy of Doing Things
He worked because he could not help working. He succeeded because it was his nature to succeed—he accomplished because accomplishment and success were natural to him; he knew what to do, and how to do it, and he did it.

To vision a second transcontinental railway, to grasp that vision and convert it into the twin facts of steel rails

from Atlantic to Pacific, to do all the other great things he did—and not be proud, is greatness. To surrender, to sovereign will of the people this vast achievement, and not be disheartened, was greater.

An a School Teacher
It is the little village of Kirfield, Ont., that proudly claims to be the birthplace of Mackenzie. To some of the old-timers up there he is still just plain Bill—Bill who taught in their school over fifty years ago. But "the three R's" hardly measured up to the young man's ideas of progress, so he looked about for something additional to employ his excess energy. The people round about wanted fuel—Mackenzie gave them cord wood. He discovered that it is easy to sell people what they wanted—easy and profitable. Later they wanted railways, so he gave them railways. Next steamships, mines, electricity—all these the people wanted and all these the wizard Mackenzie created and gave them.

Wonderful? Yes and No. Canada wanted utilities, England wanted investments. The wizard Mackenzie convinced both parties that he was the modus operandi—he gave them both what they wanted. People are by nature hero-worshippers. To the Englishman, Mackenzie was the great god of business, he paid dividends to his worshippers. To Canadians, he was the arch-priest of action—he gave them utilities. The public is slow to pick faults in its idol. Mackenzie could do no wrong—he had but to hold up his hand in Threadneedle Street and—Canada was richer by \$10,000,000. So they called him a financial wizard, but he did not look at it that way. It is just the idea of the cordwood over again.

Became a Diplomat
It is all very well to have energy and power, to be a driver of men and to force issues to a conclusion, but Mackenzie soon learned that power must be applied with brains or disruption will result. He became a diplomat. The C.P.R. wanted a short line through Maine to St. John. Van Horn picked James Rose, the great railway contractor, to do the job. Each was a strong man; each a driver accustomed to having his own way. It was the old story, disagreement over price, terms and concessions, the threat of financial disaster, the irascible force meeting an immovable body result? Well, no one is interested in what the result might have been—Mackenzie settled it. He was the negotiator, diplomat and financier who blended knowledge with wisdom, power with discretion, and by his young genius untied the knot and made the two most powerful men in Canada his friends and advisers.

Conquering the Rockies
Next, the romance of the Rockies, nature's barrier and challenge to man. Who has not heard of the great triumph? Mackenzie, Mann & Holt—who bound the monster with fetters of steel?

A mountain peak?—they tunneled it or blasted it away. A gorge?—they threw a bridge across it. Indomitable nature knelt to indomitable man. Mackenzie was the head of the tool that did it. And if you had asked him about it, he would have said, "Oh, we just built it."

Sir Wm. Mackenzie in Typical Attitude



A snapshot taken of the famous railway builder at Port Frances, on the occasion of his trip through with the first passenger train bound for the Pacific Coast on the Canadian National Railway. Sir William and his partner, Sir Donald Mann, were the first private contractors in history to build a coast-to-coast railway. Sir William died at his home in Toronto a few days ago.

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Snow sheds? The road was finished but could not be operated. As though protesting against the attack upon their millennium-long freedom, the mountains hurled their avalanches upon the track. It was obliterated, or swept away. A cry went up, "Come West and help us!"—and Mackenzie went. Why could not some other man do it? Why could not other men do the many things he did? He knew West and help us!—and Mackenzie went. Why could not some other man do it? Why could not other men do the many things he did? He knew West and help us!—and Mackenzie went. Why could not some other man do it? Why could not other men do the many things he did? He knew West and help us!—and Mackenzie went.

Opportunity Came
What's this about opportunity coming? Mackenzie once turned down his great opportunity and it came again—it was the charter for the little railway to Dauphin. Having built railways someone suggested that he buy this short line, and own one. Mackenzie laughed, the thing was a toy, he preferred turning mountains. So Donald Mann bought it. Then Mackenzie saw the light. Out of that grew the Canadian Northern, and now, out of the Canadian Northern has grown—well, you better ask Phyllis, perhaps he can tell you. Anyway no one can lay the overgrown baby of railway defects on Mackenzie's doorstep. Whoever else forced the National Transcontinental through it was not Mackenzie. He built one line and knew that it was enough. He next set about creating traffic for that line. A railway is a nice thing to own—if you have traffic rolling over it. Mackenzie was a railroad builder, was great—Mackenzie as a builder of industry wanted to be greater.

Then came the days when the name of Mackenzie was in every man's mouth. Had you a mine, a farm, a mill, a forest—Mackenzie would join you and find the money, and "ship per C.N.R." was the office motto. And he was right, too; traffic was the thing. Then August 4, 1914!

The War Stopped Him
It was the war that stopped Mackenzie—nothing else. Had the war not thrown all our business systems into disruption, Mackenzie would have made his line pay. There is a perilousness to the wide sweep of any coast. Mackenzie had travelled far, his glory was at its full, but the light of it faded in the blaze of war, and it was destined never to refume. However, he created something out of nothing, and he has left a heritage of inspiration, achievement and creation that may never be equalled. Conditions have changed in Canada now; it is doubtful if there will ever be another Mackenzie.

Interviewing Mackenzie was the "bogy" of journalism—it could not be done. The Mackenzie world saw was the business man, the man who would not talk, would not answer letters, would not keep appointments, and would not agree that he had ever done anything worth talking about. It was a bare, empty office that he met you in. There were no photographs of famous men, no evidences of great occasions, no rich rugs and paneled walls, no trappings and hanging to add impressiveness, and the only motto was a postcard saying, "Bury the past and don't put a monument over it."

"Humph! I never did anything worth writing about."
"We are pleased to disagree with you on that, sir."
"That doesn't make any difference."
"People would like to know how you did it."
"There's nothing to tell about it."
"Tell me something about the romance of building railroads."
"Romance? Why, we just built them."

He Just Built Them
That's all. Nothing remarkable about it. Merely built and equipped, and operated, and owned, a railroad across the widest part of the North American Continent—and the achievement is dismissed thus briefly. And the funny thing is he meant it.

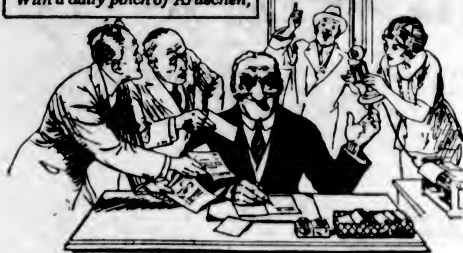
"How about building those station houses, years ago, on the Credit Valley Railroad?"
"Nothing in that, what about it?"
"Oh, they all said you could not do it, but I understand you cut the trees and made the lumber in your own mill. Then collected complete material in one long train, dropped off one car at each station location, and built the whole line in one night, as it were. Finished ahead of time and—"

Mackenzie waved the question aside, but the grey whiskers twitched—there's a story of master organization hidden away there—and he was only a boy, too.

"How about that game of bridge, Sir William, with Lord X. and Sir W. and Mr. Hanna, when you redoubled on their declaration and won 2,000 points?"
"Bridge! Bridge! We were right, there was laughter behind those magnetic eyes. Merry laughter, hearty and infectious, it filled the big bare office."

And not a trump in my own hand, either," he chuckled. Bluff, pure bluff—but I g'away with it." Then, confidential, as though betraying a

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state secret, he explained: "Hanna is dead slow. He's Scotch, you know, and he hates to lose. It was the nearest little double rough I ever saw."
Bridge was a passion with him—he believed the game was invented for his special recreation. Bridge was the key that unlocked the reservoir of his

conversation—even to a journalist. Telephone calls could wait—visitors could sit outside, arbitration with the Toronto Transportation Commission could stand, as point by point, card by card, that six-year-old game was explained. Each detail seemed as clearly fixed in his mind as if it had been but yesterday.

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Christendom the World Over

A Weekly Review of Religious News

Two large churches and many Music Halls were required to accommodate the 6,000 persons who attended the recent church Union Rally in Toronto. The speakers, which included Hon. N. W. Rowell and Sir James Wood, stressed the Union movement as a religious movement, designed to make the Church more efficient in promoting the Kingdom of God in Canada and throughout the world. The United Church, it was stated, will not be the creation of an Act of Parliament but a voluntary merging of three denominations, and will be carried through no matter what may be the parliamentary action. The Pan-Canadian Alliance and the Scottish Churches will recognize the United Church, which will, it is expected, also affiliate with the Oecumenical Movement.

Lord Birkhead Under Fire
British religious weeklies bristle with caustic criticism of Lord Birkhead's recent address at Glasgow University. It is most unfavorably compared with Sir James Barrie's "Courage," and Mr. J. P. Kennedy's "Independence." The Bishop of St. Albans said this man when he spoke of idealism as "sloppy folly," forgot the lonely hill outside Jerusalem, forgot the supreme sacrifice of Placidia, Syria Bay and the high seas of the men who made England safe for us all. The Christian World said it was no compliment to the man who Scottish young manhood to tell them that it is dangerous folly for young men to dream dreams. Rev. H. J. Sheppard, vicar of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, at a Trafalgar Square service, referred to "the filthy talk by Lord Birkhead." Dr. John Clifford said he remembered a more worthy utterance by a prominent legislator. Rev. Sidney Berry termed the essayist a false sentimentalist, a sad relic of those militarist romantics who love uniforms and imagine themselves marching along the road of their imperial destiny. "Lord Birkhead is not realistic enough to see the real situation." Frequent comment is made on the fact that the students received the address in unwonted silence.

The First Knight

The Unknown Warrior is to be the first Knight of the Most Noble Order of Crusaders, a semi-secret society, founded two years ago by well-known men, including the Duke of York. By permission of the Dean of Westminster, a service was held in the Abbey on Nov. 28, and a wreath laid on the Warrior's grave. The Order, whose motto is "Sic Deus Vult" ("Thus God Will"), has 100 members and 250 groups of recruits.

Great Nonconformist Leader

Religious weeklies on both sides of the Atlantic honor the personality and work of Dr. John Clifford, who passed away "with his full armor on" on Nov. 20th, while making an address in the Baptist Church House, London. "The most outstanding figure of British Nonconformity," the greatest Nonconformist hero since Oliver Cromwell, he is thus characterized by an American and a Canadian journal. Dr. Frederick Lynch in The Christian Work apostrophizes him as a "great, brave, fearless soul, one of the most passionate of preachers, a man of most prophetic vision." Though intensely evangelical, Dr. Clifford was progressive in his scholarship and thoroughgoing in his application of the Gospel to social and political issues. A passive resistor against the Education Act, he yearly underwent the raid upon his home and sale of some of his furniture. In his boyhood home there was "little to earn and many to keep," and little John at the age of ten toiled ten and twelve hours daily in a lace factory at Bessington.

The Movie in Japan

Films which fail to pass the censorship in America are sent post haste to the Orient, where they not only undermine the morals of the people, but also picture so-called Christian lands in a false light, and thus become an international menace. This is the statement made by Rev. William A. King, D.D., of Tokyo, in discussing the anti-Christian forces in Japan. Of these opposing interests he places strong drink and narcotics in the forefront.

Interesting Facts
Fifty Bible classes, each with a membership from six to twenty-five, are meeting in the fraternity houses of Cornell University.

Daily Vacation Bible Schools, schools held every day of the week for Bible study, numbered 201 last Summer in Chicago, with an average attendance of over 12,000.

Undenominational Union Churches in the United States number 1,000, with 15,000 Union Sunday Schools.

The St. John's Choir of the Vatican during their recent visit to Montreal charmed vast congregations in Notre Dame Cathedral and St. Patrick's Church.

The Japanese Emergency Fund of the Methodist Church in Canada has reached \$50,000.

The Livingstone film party has reached Kuruman in South Africa, the former mission station of Dr. Moffat, the father of M. J. Livingstone. Great interest is being shown in Scotland over the film, which will be widely used in churches and schools.

The missionary budget for 1924 of the Presbyterian Church in England is \$150,000.

The Presbyterian Church in South Africa has recognized a Mrs. Dower as a lay preacher. Deaconesses for the past few Summers have supplied mission fields in the Canadian prairie provinces, conducting all the regular student services, which do not include baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Five thousand students from 1,000 institutions of learning in the United States and Canada will attend the Student Volunteer Convention to be held in Indianapolis during the holidays.

Personalia

Rev. Dr. W. J. Erdman, of Germantown, Pa., who died last month, was the personal promoter from 1878 to 1900 of the Niagara Conference, the pioneer gathering for Bible study on the continent.

One of the ablest of religious journalists, Dr. A. E. Dunning, of Boston, Mass., who died last month, was the successful editor for twenty-two years of the Boston Congregationalist, of which Rev. W. E. Gilroy, D.D., a Canadian by birth and training, is now in charge.

Mrs. Winifred Ingram, the mother of the Bishop of London, celebrated her 96th birthday on a recent Sunday.

The Moderator-designate of the Church of Scotland is the Rev. Dr. Cathel of Hawick, and the Moderator of the United Free Church, the Rev. A. R. Inch of Dundee.

Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell has been in Montreal and Toronto endeavoring to raise money for a foundation fund to ensure permanency for his work in Labrador, to which he went thirty years ago. To its lonely, unfrequented people, dying, too, of tuberculosis, he brought sympathy, hospitals, schools, Christian cheer and, not least, reindeer.

Retiring on his eightieth birthday from leading a Bible class in George Street Methodist Sunday School, Peterborough, Rev. Simon Crookshanks was honored with a banquet and a purse.

Rev. Dr. Price has been speaking to capacity congregations in Edmonton. One afternoon is a union prayer meeting in McDougall Methodist Church with an average attendance of a thousand.

Among the fifteen outgoing missionaries of the Presbyterian Church who undertake service in China and India is Miss Jean McChare Menzies, the niece of Rev. Thomas Menzies, M.P.P., of this city. The young lady is a graduate nurse of Toronto General Hospital and was designated in Honor Street Presbyterian Church, where her mother was designated twenty-seven years ago. Her father, Dr. J. P. Menzies, was massacred two years ago in Honan, where mother and daughter will now work.

NEW AEROPLANE INTERESTS FORESTERS

Fire Detection Problem Solved by the Adoption of the Latest British Adaptation

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Taking the engine out of a motorcycle, British aeronautical engineers have set it into a light aeroplane and have thereby enabled the engine to carry its passenger over twice the distance at three times the speed and with the same consumption of gasoline. Aviation circles in Canada are keenly interested in the progress in the development of the light aeroplane as evidenced by recent competitions held in England. These, it is felt, are more than realizing the most sanguine expectations.

These tiny machines have proved themselves airworthy under the worst weather conditions.

Recently a de Havilland light plane with a six-horse power engine made the trip from Croydon, London, to Brussels, a distance of some 150 miles, on three gallons of gas.

A machine of this type, fitted with wireless, operating in Canadian forests could with a minimum of expense, effectively patrol an area of from 10,000 to 12,000 square miles a day. It is claimed its capital cost will be no more than that of a motor car provided the planes could be produced in fairly large quantities and not built as individual machines.

Their operating cost would not be much more than that of a motor cycle or a small automobile and the problem of fire detection in the remote parts of Canadian forests would be in a great measure solved.

SHAKESPEARE PLAY SUBJECT TO CENSOR

New York Social Workers Told Police Sergeant Found No Naughty Lines in Presentation

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Shakespeare's Hamlet, as acted by John Barrymore, was viewed by a mission of the law last night and found free from immorality.

Police Sergeant Stewart Dewitt went to investigate a complaint that the play contained naughty lines and that it idealized murder. From eight o'clock until the mad prince spoke his last and died, Sergeant Dewitt watched every move, pondered every line. His report follows:

"Hamlet O.K. Used to recite myself when I was a kid and it wasn't any worse tonight than it was then."

FRENCH HOUSE TALKS ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Measure Causes Stormy Time Among the Deputies, and No Actual Progress Made

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The woman suffrage bill had a stormy time in the French Chamber today. When adjournment was taken it was found that the bill had made no progress. Friends of the measure, by what was openly criticized in the Chamber as the injudicious loading of the bill with a demand for votes for minor children, are regarded as equally responsible for the delay with



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its opponents, who indulged in systematic diversions, and attempts to steer the debate into a general discussion of international politics.

Many Interpellations

The opposition, taking advantage of Premier Poincaré's absence, made life uncomfortable for the Minister of the Interior, M. Maunoury, by introducing a multitude of interpellations on internal questions until the minister was forced to raise the question of confidence.

The government was upheld by a vote of 486 to 83, votes for women being side-tracked in the meantime.

The United States public domain amounts to 152,000,000 acres, the great bulk of which, not yet allocated, lies in the states of California, Utah and Nevada. Some of it has no little value it has not been surveyed.

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Christmas Plum Pudding, \$1.50

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We have a large assortment of Feather and Marabou Ruffles, shades taupe, black and brown, **\$2.75, \$3.75, \$5.75, \$7.50, \$8.75** and up to **\$35.00**

Italian Silk Shawls Gifts of Superb Character

A selection of Italian Silk Shawls of most superb quality. Shown in popular shades, and finished with deep silk fringe. Those who desire to present a gift just a little different to the usual will find it in these beauties. At **\$11.75, \$18.75, \$24.75** and **\$35.00**

Children's Serge Dresses Special Monday, \$2.98

Serge Dresses for children, odd styles, but well made of a good grade serge. Navy blue, green or orange. Sizes for 6, 10, 12 or 14 years. Special, each **\$3.98**

Goddess Front-Lace Corsets Special, \$4.50

Goddess Front Lace Corsets, made with silk elastic top, long skirt, free hip and ventilated back. They are of pink satin stripe batiste and boned with black unbreakable boning. Special, a pair **\$4.50**

For the Children—Gifts of Real Worth

Children's Navy and Scarlet Flannel Middies, Balkan and hip styles; also new gathered-at-hip style. The collars are trimmed with three rows of narrow braid and laced at front. For the ages of 8 to 14 years. **\$2.98** and **\$3.25**

Children's Overall Gaiters with elastic at waist and buttoned. For 2 to 8 years. **\$2.00** and **\$2.50**

Children's Cap and Scarf Sets in attractive colors and in several styles. Tams or caps with buttons at side or pompon on top; brown, fawn, blue, pink, white. Sizes for 2 to 12 years. **\$1.95** to **\$2.50**

Wool Capes for little girls, pink and white, light blue and white, and white and coral. For the ages 3 to 6 years. **\$3.75** and **\$4.50**

All-Wool Rompers for the ages of 2 to 3 years. Shades brown and fawn and saxe and fawn, at **\$3.75**

Children's All-Wool Mitts, in shades of silver, fawn, brown, cardinal, bluebell, white, fawn and bluebell and honey. For the ages of 3 to 6 years. **60¢** and **75¢**



A Christmas Sale of BLOUSES

1,000 Blouses, of Crepe de Chine, Georgette, Crepe Knit and Tricolette. These include French Models, and all are marked at Clearing Prices. A BIG GIFT OPPORTUNITY ON MONDAY.

Blouses of crepe de Chine, Georgette and tricolette, in over-blouse styles. The trimmings are of radium lace; silk or wool embroidery and Paisley. Many pretty styles to select from, including round or "V" necks; Bertha collars. Navy, brown, brick, orange, black and white, navy and fawn and sandalwood. Values to \$10.00. On sale for **\$5.95**

Blouses of crepe de Chine, Georgette and Paisley, in pretty styles. Including long straight models in crepe de Chine, trimmed with bands of crepe knit in Paisley designs. These have long sleeves. There are also frilly front Georgettes in over-blouse style. Others with long sleeves and V necks with collars. Many models to select from, with long and short sleeves; all shades, all sizes. Values to \$11.95. On sale at **\$8.95**

Blouses of crepe de Chine, Georgette and crepe knit, in over-blouse or jacquette styles; long or short sleeves, and with or without collars. They are effectively trimmed with beads, silk stitching and embroidery. All the wanted shades. Values to \$17.95 for **\$11.95**

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\$35.00 values for **\$28.50**

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Sizes 16 to 48

27 Coats—Value to \$65.00. On Sale at **\$29.75**

This group of coats includes models in English velour and broadcloth of high grade, fully lined and interlined. Plain and novelty styles trimmed with French beaver, electric seal, kit cross and other popular furs. Shades are sand, saxe, tan, navy, brown and black. On sale at **\$29.75**

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This group includes many fine imported models of camel cloth, duvetyne, Bolivia, wool crepe and brocade. They are trimmed with French beaver, opossum and all are fully silk lined. Shades sand, saxe, nigger brown, peacock blue and green. Latest styles in novelty coats **\$49.75**

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Swiss Lawn Handkerchiefs, white with colored embroidered corners and hemstitched borders. A box **35¢**

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Fine Quality Handkerchiefs, in all white, solid colors or lace trimmed; a large assortment to select from; all neatly embroidered. A box, **65¢** and **75¢**

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Lace Trimmed Handkerchiefs of finest quality, also Solid Color Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered in contrasting shades. A box **\$1.25**

Fine Swiss Lawn Handkerchiefs in plain colors, embroidered in pretty designs. Each **20¢**

Venice Lace Handkerchiefs, exceptional value; shown in assorted designs. Each **30¢**

White Lawn Handkerchiefs of superfine grade, handsome and elaborate designs. Each **30¢**

Women's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, Irish manufacture, heavy or sheer quality. Initial Handkerchiefs of excellent weight and quality. All initials, ladies' sizes, **25¢** and **35¢**

All initials, men's sizes, each, **45¢** and **65¢**

Genuine Madeira Handkerchiefs of pure linen, hand embroidered in beautiful eyelet embroidery. No finer work than this. Big value, each **95¢**

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Babies' Bonnets of fine brushed wool, trimmed with ribbons **65¢**

Bonnets of soft white wool, with ribbon rosettes **\$1.00**

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Coats of soft white wool, hand made, knit or crochet, and trimmed with silk ribbons **\$1.50 to \$2.50**

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Babies' Mitts in large assortment **25¢ to 75¢**

Babies' Coats, crochet and knit **35¢ to \$1.25**

Babies' Beacon Cloth Crib Blankets, blue and pink, many designs **\$1.15**

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The Colonist's Pictorial Page



Pausing at the end of the day's journey, this Eskimo family, on Canada's Arctic frontier, in less than an hour erects its "igloo" from blocks of solid snow



Mrs. Dorrit S. Woodhouse, of Westfield, Mass., values her love at a cool million dollars. She is suing her wealthy parents-in-law for that sum, claiming that they alienated the affections of her husband



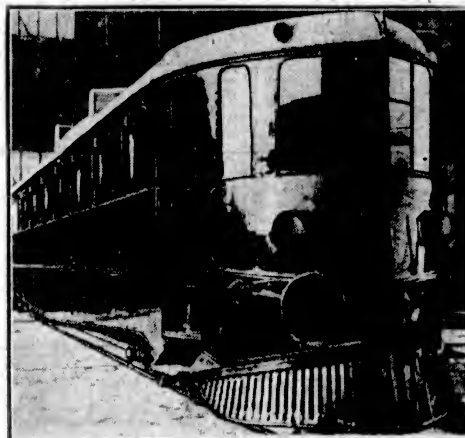
The two Spanish princesses, Beatriz and Marie Christine, daughters of the King and Queen of Spain, accompanied their parents on a visit to the Pope in Rome, where they were given the papal blessing



This model in moire is most advanced in style and material, since moire will be used extensively this coming season. The contrasted vest and draping of the skirt are unique



America is conserving her timber resources by importing vast quantities of British Columbia logs, but a proposed embargo may interfere. Photograph shows a boom ready for towing south



A new German trolley which was recently completed at Kiel is propelled by "suction gas", a new gas that was discovered and perfected by a German shortly after the war



Lieut. - Commander R. A. Bartlett will head the American expedition now being planned to the North Pole regions via airplane in the spring. Bartlett assisted Rear-Admiral Perry in his 1909 dash



Here is the American women's land hockey team which has been selected to go to England and play a series of matches there. The team which is preparing to sail in January was snapped after a game at Philadelphia



General Angel Flores is the newest candidate for the Mexican presidency. He has formally declared himself as leader of the reformed revolutionary ticket and has promised to steer clear of mud slinging



Fort Prince of Wales, romantic ruin at the mouth of the Churchill River, Hudson Bay, was recently placed by order-in-council under the control of the Canadian National Parks



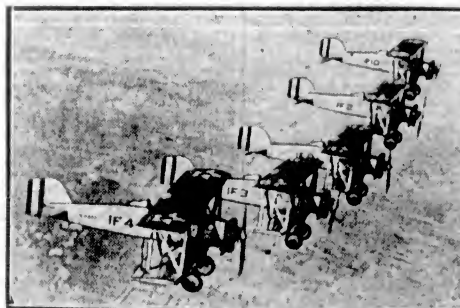
It was a big day at several New York hotels recently when a small army of debutantes took over the entire management, including acting as porters. The affair was for charitable purposes



Here is Senorita Marie Caballe, the most beautiful and accomplished terpsichorean artiste in Andalusia, who has been appointed professional dancer to the royal court of Spain. Alfonso always did like dancing



Photograph shows the new costume in which Miss Nina Payne, American dancer, will appear for her new review in Paris. She is to come to this continent the early part of next year with the Folies Bergere



Above is a remarkable photograph of U.S. navy fighting planes of the aircraft squadron, with the battle fleet of the Pacific coast, shown in a mass formation of the air



Mlle. Odette Piau recently won the typist contest in Paris, writing 83 words a minute for 20 minutes, with an average of an error per minute. In the 20 minutes she struck the keys 10,201 times



Down the side of Mount Shasta, California, a huge explosion made way for a dam site as the powder and dynamite in 208 holes, with depths ranging from 16 to 30 feet, blew up

THE TAILOR

And Other Stories of Adventure.

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Never Run From a Sikh

HERE'S the place, and here's the man," said Fortescue when he and Maitland left the sedan-chair to await their return, and climbed down the tiny bungalow on the hillside.

Maitland, after his usual habit, said nothing. His coldly efficient eyes missed nothing of the scene before them, and narrowed slightly as though in scorn.

Before the little house stood the man whom they had come to seek. Rao Singh, sometimes Resaider of His Majesty's 5th Sikhs, and now, by reason of a crippled leg sustained in Mesopotamia, a retired gentleman who lived in his little, Malayan bungalow and devoted himself to brushing his uniform, keeping his medals bright and doing a bit of shooting.

Rao Singh had knotted his long rope of uncut hair, and now placed his skull-cap over the lump. Taking one end of the twisted cord and pulling between his teeth, he began to wind with deft, cunning movements; he wound the cord about his head and then, with a flourish, he pulled it off, and adjusted it over the turban.

Then he turned to his visitors with a salute and a smile.

A lordly man, this Sikh—six foot two under his turban, a tight-curling black beard over his massive mouth and chin, white ivory untouched by beetle-paste, and a wealth of proud, dignified character in his face. A Sikh does not lose his dignity; and Rao Singh was a Sikh of the very blood of Guru the master.

"I have a bit for you from the Resaider," said Fortescue. He produced a letter and glanced through the contents, then came to attention and saluted.

"Fortescue Sahib, I am so shikar, but I can take you into the hills where you can find tigers," Rao Singh shook hands and turned. "This is my companion, Maitland Sahib, who accompanies me in search of the striped ones."

Maitland bowed slightly, coldly, then he turned and followed Rao Singh toward the view from the mountain-side.

For a space Fortescue and Rao Singh discussed the proposed hunt. The keen intention of the Resaider seemed to be that of his own type and kind, and was less interested in tigers than in getting the expedition off; second, Maitland Sahib knew little of the country, displayed little interest in the game or his companions, and appeared to treat Fortescue and everything around him with a cold, aloof courtesy, which was repellent rather than attractive. He was not the type whom Fortescue should have chosen for a hunt, in the Resaider's opinion.

Only once did Maitland speak. Then, after answering a direct question from Fortescue, he glanced curiously at Rao Singh.

"These Sikh troops," he said, ignoring the Resaider, "seem always to wear that ring, become their turbans. What's the reason?"

"Largely ethnological," answered Fortescue. "A peculiar weapon of the people—a survival from the primal days. They are trained from childhood to throw the ring like a boomerang, or on the arena of the one, well sharpened, take of a man's head like an egg. Well, what about the trip? Are you satisfied with the arrangements?"

"Quite!" And Maitland nodded coldly. For a bare instant his efficient, slightly scornful eyes rested upon Fortescue, then he turned away and fear and frozen fury in their shallow gleaming. One would have sworn that he deemed Fortescue a liar and a rascal; yet Fortescue was an officer and a very courteous gentleman.

If Fortescue was aware of this attitude of this silent enemy, he showed it in no word or look. But when the two men returned from the story path to their sedan, Rao Singh looked after one of the pair with a fiercely proud delight, and after the other with an unconscious scorn.

"By Gurur!" he said to himself. "There is something strange about this hunting!"

And in this he was quite correct.

Some days after Fortescue and Maitland departed on their search for tigers, Fortescue was at the residence on consular business when the subject of the two men came up between them. The Resaider shook his head sadly.

"You've heard something of it, then? Of course—a sorry affair, 'pon my word. You've not met the men?"

"Fortescue, yes," said Fortescue, "I met him two months ago in Penang. He struck me as a very fine sort of chap. I know the rumors, but I believe them absolutely."

The Resaider nodded. "Most people do believe them—that's the devil of it. The whole affair will come out officially next month."

At this Maitland sat up. "You don't mean the rumors are true?"

"Not half the truth, old chap. This boomer Maitland, now—know him?"

I shook my head. The Resaider opened a box of cheroots and ordered drinks.

"Maitland is Fortescue's cousin and heir—point number one. There was something between the two men at home, during the war. I'm not sure about the details, but I fancy that Maitland married the girl who should have married the other chap. Fortescue was a prince and a reporter; dead—one of those beastly messes, you know. So, when things quieted down, Fortescue applied for exchange and came out here."

"But—" I interrupted, then ceased my questioning. The Resaider was going ahead.

"That's really behind the whole jolly row," he continued frowningly. "It's an excuse, of course. There's another story about it, and it's a jolly subaltern down at Penang. As that, I know nothing, can only draw from the account himself, but too late to prevent the thing being discovered. Since he had settled up, he was presumably to blame."

"Oh!" I said. "You mean that the subaltern?"

"My dear chap, I mean only what I say—that I know very little!" The Resaider made a deprecating gesture. "I can only relate the facts as I know them. There's a fortnight to spare, at present, before the thing becomes public property. Maitland happened to be out this way—he has a post in Singapore—and being in what you Americans call the audit bureau of the Straits government."

The Resaider paused, slightly confused. He was trying to hedge, trying to conceal something, being an Englishman, it came hard. He was trying to hold back somewhere, and was making a mess of it. I decided to help him out.

"You mean," I said carefully, "that Maitland dropped out on the fact that Fortescue had presumably lost the exchequer, and came up to see about it and help his cousin out of the hole? Very proper of him, I'm sure."

The Resaider winced. "Not over my Americanism, which he understood perfectly, but over my deductions."

"Quite so," I said. "But the fact that Fortescue had a bit of good blood, you know—good line and all that."

"Don't apologize for him," I said. "Then, you mean that Maitland offered to cover up the scandal until Fortescue could get out of the way, clear out?"

The Resaider winced. "No," he growled. "I fancy that he made some such offer, of course, but not from decency. Remember, he is Fortescue's heir. There are the estate and other things."

"Oh!" I exclaimed, with secret glee at having at least forced him into frank statements. "Now we're making progress." Maitland wanted to bury his cousin and offered him a pistol in the approved and honored fashion of evading dishonor, eh?

Death or exposure, eh?

The Resaider sighed. "Something of the sort, I fancy," he assented. "Beastly luck, what?"

"I understand his allusion, and nodded over my drink. Fortescue did seem to have played in hard luck from the start. To come home and find that his girl had married Maitland, then to come out to Malaya and cover up another man's trouble—only to have Maitland bob up again and ruin his life."

"Looks as though some adverse fate were dogging his heels," I observed. "Forcing him into ruin and death and dishonor, no matter what happened—his life, his property, his honor, his very life to get the advantage! Fortescue is not the sort to weaken, however; he's the Henley type—head and shoulders above the crowd. The Resaider seemed grateful for this momentary release from my Americanism."

"Quite so," he replied. "Quite so! And now the two chaps come up here and set out into the hills after tigers, and that does mean, eh? Not hard to understand, is it? Fortescue is up to something of the sort; they'll return without him; more coronat opus; and when the question of the estate and other things, it will be speedily forgotten."

"Boh!" I said. "Boh!"

The Resaider rapped. He leaned back in his chair, regarded me with an air of agonized apology. "Er—I say, old chap!" he ventured feebly. "You Americans don't—er—approve such methods—er—"

"I don't," I said in adaptation; I refer to facts," was my answer. "I understand that those two men went into the hills with that big Sikh, Rao Singh? Well, I went tiger-hunting with Rao Singh myself, if you remember, last time I was up here; and I'm here to say that Rao Singh is about the finest specimen of brown man I ever encountered."

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Rao Singh could not move with rapidity, owing to his lameness, but he moved forward to the fact that he had the party quartered in a native village, had located a man-eater ten miles distant, and was prepared for business.

"Tomorrow," he said gravely, when he served the evening meal in the hut allotted to the two white men, "we shall have sport, Sahib."

When they were alone, Fortescue looked at Maitland and smiled thinly. "Sport, indeed, eh?" he observed. "I suppose that you have already arranged the details? You're that sort."

"Certainly," assented Maitland with precision. "It is very simple. You will choose whatever moment seems best, when we are waiting alone; the wchanga of your gun will be heard; the evildoer will be perfectly plain that you accidentally killed yourself—as we decided in Penang."

"I have changed my mind, fair cousin," he said abruptly. Maitland started.

Maitland, meanwhile, was standing outside the hut, rapidly smoking his cigarette, staring at the village with unseeing eyes, shaking bodily in an access of emotion. From his lips usually so pationless and cold, a low stream of objections fled into the darkness.

At length he became silent, poised, motionless for a moment. He took from his pocket a knife and two cartridges. In the starlight he worked for a space over the cartridges, then turned again into the hut, whistling as he entered.

When the door closed after his tall figure, a motionless shadow detached itself from the corner of the hut and moved forward to the doorway where Maitland had stood. The starlight glinted upon a wide steel ring encircling a grotesquely shaped turban. For a little Rao Singh crouched fumbling in the dust, then found that which he sought and stood erect.

"By Gurur!" he whispered wonderingly. "This Sahib has a strange fashion of hunting!"

He moved back slowly, thoughtfully into the shadows and merged with the darkness, squatting on his heels. He produced a small file and a small whetstone, took the wide, flat

ring from his turban, and fell to work sharpening the outer circular edge of the steel ring.

As he worked thus, he whistled a tuneless air between his teeth—air to which the words of a proverb have been long set in the north of India. The proverb advised: "Never run from a Sikh!" It is a very wise proverb, as are most of the sayings of that wise land, and it is excellent advice. One might imagine that it implies a Sikh to be a coward, but that is not so. Rao Singh smiled grimly to himself as he worked, as though enjoying some inward but well-earned rest—the words of that proverb, perhaps!

The boaters were out—a hundred men strung through the jungle, driving the tiger toward the stream, toward the point where the two white men, with Rao Singh for sole gun-bearer, awaited his approach.

Fortescue was not the type to crouch in a tree-lashed platform and shoot from ambush. His choice to meet the tiger king like a sportsman, in a bush-filled glade upon which the tiger would be driven. Maitland, coolly impassive, stood beside them. A step behind waited Rao Singh with the spare gun.

"Take my gun," said Maitland as they waited. "It's a double-barrel, and you'll be able to find the brute if you wing him first shot. Your rifle, anyway, I care little about him."

Fortescue shrugged his shoulders and exchanged the repeater which he carried for the larger bore of his cousin's. He even of Rao Singh gleamed sharply as he noted the exchange.

Stripes were slowly being driven close as the clearing of bushes and vines and tin pans bore testimony. A panting villager dashed up with word that the tiger had reluctantly accepted his fate. Maitland rose as he saw the tiger was snarling before the beaters, who were taking no chances whatever on getting caught. In ten minutes he would be in the mouth of the trap formed by the ravine.

Fortescue glanced at the breach of his weapon and set down, laying it across his knees and filled his pipe. "We're down wind," he commented as he struck a match. "Nervous, Maitland?"

"No reason for it—yet," said the other loudly. "You first big-game shot, you know—are you sure you don't want the first chance at stripes yourself?"

"Thanks. I'm not a bit keen," Maitland yawned. "Fancy I'd not be able to make a decent shot in any event."

"Pardon, Fortescue Sahib," struck in Rao Singh. "It might be best to use fresh cartridges."

Maitland turned and looked at the Sikh. "Oh, I just put in fresh loads, my man—not five minutes ago. Quite all right, I assure you."

Rao Singh smiled and stood impassive. His darkly glinting eyes searched the ravine and bushes.

"By the way," said Fortescue suddenly, "remember there's a kick to the trigger. Mind how you press the trigger."

Maitland nodded and made no answer.

A tense "click" from Rao Singh brought Fortescue to his feet; the pipe fell unheeded. At the farther end of the ravine there was a wave of bushes, a ripple of the shrubbery. A hundred yards distant something that was not of the trees

or the earth gave a whipping movement and was gone.

"Stay here, old chap," said Fortescue quietly to his cousin. Then, to Rao Singh: "Come along, Resaider."

Fortescue stepped forward. For a brief instant the gaze of Rao Singh lit into Maitland; then the tall Sikh smiled and moved on. The three men in the gully were entirely alone, save for a twitching of the farther bushes.

A whirling burst the shrub assault and out into the open broke the great cat, a very embodiment of feline fury, crouched low. Fortescue laughed softly, and ordered Rao Singh to "take the cat, and the cat broke out upon the brute's face, and Fortescue took a backward step; at this, stripes padded forward, as a cat creeps low-headed upon a string that is jerked away.

Maitland trembled, clutched at his rifle, tried to call out; words would not come from his dry throat.

Scarcely twenty feet, it seemed, from the tiger, the Sikh, the tiger crouched for the spring. Then, moving like a flash, Fortescue shouldered his rifle and fired. The striped cat hurtled upward and forward; Fortescue fired a second time. Up, the tiger struck him squarely, just as he had seized the spare gun. Rao Singh thrust into his hand. The gun was jerked across his breast and throat as he fell under the brute.

"Wah, Gurur!" granted Rao Singh. Unheeding, he held the tiger by his knife and now flung himself forward to divert the tiger from Fortescue. He tried for the eyes, and missed—his crippled leg failed him.

"Wah, Gurur!" he grunted again, as he planned boldly against the beast and drove his knife into the yellow and black fur.

One paw caught him across the shoulders and knocked him sprawling, twenty feet distant, where he lay motionless.

The tiger gave a single swipe of his paw at Fortescue's body, and Maitland fired, his bullet going home behind the exposed shoulder. He fired again, as the tiger lay upon him, and missed. He fired a third time, and the great cat stretched out in the dirt and clawed at the ground in the death-throes.

Maitland threw his weapon away and stumbled forward, running blindly, careless of any possible danger. When he came near to Fortescue's body, he halted, staring, of trembling seized upon him as he looked upon the bloody sight.

For a moment his self-control was lost; then he awoke savagely and pulled himself together. A glance showed him that Rao Singh still lay motionless, perhaps dead. He jerked himself forward to where lay the double-barreled rifle that Fortescue had dropped. His face like death it self, Maitland picked up the weapon, jerked out the two brass cases that might show marks of tampering, and replaced them with fresh cartridges; he fired both barrels in the air and then flung down the gun.

"Done!" he ejaculated, his hands shaking, his mouth loose on the word. He turned, started, as Rao Singh slowly came to his feet, badly hurt.

"Yes, Sahib," said the Sikh, "done. And it was your work, for I saw you take loads from two cartridges last night, and the empty cases there on the ground prove it."

A strangled cry broke from Maitland. His eyes swept about him terrified; there was no weapon save the gun, clutched in the red hands of Fortescue, and that he dared not touch. The other gun he had just discharged. And Rao Singh was staring at him with a frightful slowness, a frightful certainty!

The man's agonized eyes found his repeating rifle, loomed aside after he had shot the tiger. If he could but reach it!

"This is between us, Sahib, and we are men," said Rao Singh. He still came toward Maitland, his hands outstretched as though to grip. Maitland could not speak. Clutched by fear and horror, he leaped like a startled deer, and ran. He sobbed as he ran up the ravine, toward the repeater that lay upon the ground. Yet Rao Singh no longer attempted to follow, but drew himself erect, smiling grimly, and put his hand to the steel ring about his turban.

You have seen boys sailing "ships" over the water—round, flat strata of stone that cut the air horizontally, swoop upward, dive suddenly down and breast the water until they lose force and sink. So the steel ring left the hand of the Sikh; he seemed to throw it awkwardly, feebly, yet it sailed upward and curved through the air, and suddenly drove down with a glint and a shimmer of sunlight.

Maitland heard the singing hum of the thing, and shrieked at he knew not what.

I went up to the Residency on the day they brought in Fortescue. The whole town—which I have been careful not to name—was talking about the tiger-shoot, and my friend the Resaider knew that I had not come on consular business.

"You've seen him?" he inquired when we were alone in his study.

"Yes—I've just come from the hospital," I said, nodding. "They may be pulling through in good shape, a little marked up about the body, but nothing worse."

The Resaident bit at a cheroot, frowning savagely upon me.

"Too bad about Maitland," he said. "To think that after he had done the brute and saved Fortescue, the chap would be as good as to venture near the dying tiger! That's what comes of being new to the country."

"And to think," I added maddeningly, "that a single claw of that dying beast's paw should have reached him and cut half his neck open!"

The Resaident gave me a sharp glance.

"You seem to think the story a bit queer," he observed.

"Stronger than that," I responded. "Believe you saw it? I don't believe it! But of course Rao Singh is a damned queer! But of course Rao Singh is a damned queer!"

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The Baldwin Government is not the object of his shafts. He has announced that he will oppose any imperial preference that will put a tax upon the new-made money. He challenges the building of the Singapore base. He is a strong friend of the United States and has endowed at Oxford a chair of American literature. Personally he is friendly, lives carefully and does not burn up energy like the late Lord Northcliffe.

Poverty of Clergy Dr. Ings, the Dean of St. Paul's, preaching recently at the annual festival of the Southwark Branch of the Queen Victoria Clergy Fund, held at Southwark Cathedral, said that the object of the fund was to secure a living wage for the clergy of the Church of England, the majority of whom were living in poverty, and many of them in acute poverty.

Some of them might, perhaps, remember the picture in Punch a few years ago of a bishop visiting a parish and saying to the clergyman: "Are there any very poor families in this parish?" "None, except my own, my Lord," said the clergyman, "that's all."

There were some who said: "Why not have a celibate clergy like the Church of Rome, and then the hope of this country had made up their minds once for all at the Reformation that they would have no more of a celibate priesthood, and there had never been any serious disposition to reopen that question. In order to help the lity they must be able to sympathize with them, understand their views of life, enter into the complex network of relations in which the average man found himself. There were few men who had the imagination and the insight to project themselves into these complex relations with themselves standing outside them."

This country's reliance on force would be impossible if the clergy had been obliged to remain unmarried. Nelson, Drake, Sir John Moore, Wolfe, Warren, Hastings, and Wellington, Rhodes, Sir Joshua Reynolds, Sir Christopher Wren, Jenner (the discoverer of vaccination), Fletcher, Rowland, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Keble (the sweet singer of the Anglo-Saxon revival), Charlotte Bronte, Oliver Goldsmith, and Charles Kingsley and Alfred Tennyson, in whom the Victorian age was most completely summed up, were the children of clergymen. Who could measure the loss to the nation of this list if there were no home life in the vicarage?

Mohammedanism forbids the taking of interest on money.

Lord Rothermere, Napoleon of Press

W HILE Alfred Harmsworth was climbing to fame and fortune and eventually to the title of Lord Northcliffe, his brother Harold Sidney Harmsworth was climbing with him, first to fortune, then to the title of Lord Rothermere, and later on to fame. He was a wealthier man than his brother when he died, and today he is wealthier still. He has more newspapers and a greater circulation than did Northcliffe. It is estimated that 50 per cent of the newspaper readers of England and Scotland read papers owned or controlled by Lord Rothermere, while another 10 per cent read papers owned or controlled by Lord Rothermere. He is his friend. So that these two men, one a Canadian, the other an Irishman, between them are able to dictate to 50 per cent of the people of Great Britain what they shall read, if they want to read newspapers. It is fortunate that newspapers are not the only source of information open to the Kingdome. Otherwise, the outlook would be bleak indeed, for no conceivable popular vote would ever elect the two men as virtual censors of the daily and weekly press.

Great Money Maker Without Rothermere, Northcliffe would no doubt have been an influential and celebrated man, but without him he might not have been a rich man. The younger Harmsworth was the "real money-maker" of the firm. He was called by the elder, with perhaps a touch of contempt, the "adding machine" for he was, as he was without any touch of genius except, according to Joseph W. Grigg, London correspondent of the New York Herald, the genius of making the pound sterling work its head off. Northcliffe was the man of ideas, the man of vision, so far as newspapers were concerned. Rothermere was the man who found how to make the greatest amount of money out of the ideas. He did not make the Napoleon-like decisions of Northcliffe. He is much more cautious than his brother. Often he was the useful brake upon the wheel of the other man's enthusiasm. Northcliffe was in the habit of referring financial problems to him, and it is not on record that any scheme of which Rothermere approved was rejected by Northcliffe. He had also a unique gift for organizing and for important details that Northcliffe found wearisome.

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Motors & Motoring

Used Car Problem Is Unknown in England

American Dealer, Returning From England, Summarizes Many Differences in Motor World of the United Kingdom—Owners Don't Trade Cars In Every Year—Old Country Cars Cost More to Buy and Maintain

MOTING conditions in England are quite different from those in the United States and Canada. To begin with, cars are more expensive. The basis and rate of taxation are, comparatively, very high. Cars, once bought, remain in the hands of the original owner for a number of years, and the hundreds

of used cars constantly on the market here find no counterpart there.

Partly by virtue of the latter fact trade conditions are different, too. In Canada, as in the United States, the problem of the used car is a big one, both with the dealer and every car owner. In England they do not constitute a problem. Values remain fairly high, and cars retain marketable values up to the end of their serviceable days, because, relatively, there are fewer of them. Then, too, very few dealers will take an exclusive franchise. The dealer represents a number up to half-a-dozen, or even more, different makes of cars, on the ground that it is much easier to supply the wants of a customer.

Auto Business

Tom Botterill, a successful automobile merchant the other side of the line, commented on these things on his recent return to this country from England, and accompanied his remarks with a general commentary on conditions in the automotive industry in England. "General business is improving somewhat in England," Botterill tells us, "and the automobile business particularly has had quite an impetus this year in spite of the fact that taxation has been quite heavy."

"More than 200 makes of motor vehicles are sold in England. This is due to no small measure to the fact that taxation has been quite heavy."

Consider that there are cars made in France, Belgium, Germany, Italy, in considerable number and quantity. Add to this the cars made in England and then add the great volume of cars exported to England by Canadian and American manufacturers.

"This very clearly shows the point to which competition is growing there. In the number of cars, in America we had on record in April this year 112 makes of passenger automobiles in active operation."

Cannot Afford Big Car

"The average Englishman cannot afford to buy a large motor car," is another fact brought out by Botterill. Registration figures and close study of the history of the automobile industry make it quite plain that large cars of high cost are not the volume sellers in America. This condition has aided competition in this country. It accentuates competition in England.

Very few dealers in England handle one line of cars as an exclusive agency. This fact, brought out by Botterill's study, would seem to indicate that keener competition, affected by low-priced market possibilities, tended toward a necessity for an automobile dealer to handle more than one line of cars.

"It is almost impossible to get the English automobile dealer to push any one line of cars," he says. "This arises from the condition that there are comparatively very few cars in the high-price class sold in England. The average dealer says: 'No, I will not sign up exclusively. I will simply sell my customers anything they may ask for.' Consequently he usually represents at least a dozen makes of cars. It is one of the reasons why the American manufacturer with representation in England has difficulty in marketing there the number of cars of which he should really dispose."

Keeps It For Years

"It seems that the sale of cars in England runs mostly to very small ones, or to the Rolls-Royce class. In other words, the wealthy man in England will buy the very best car he can get. The man of moderate means will be satisfied with a small car, with a very small motor, averaging thirty to forty miles per gallon of gasoline. This avoids the heavy taxation on horse-power which is the English method, and it also saves on the cost of gasoline, which is higher than in America. The result is that you see all kinds of small cars, and the observer steps right from those to the cars of the Rolls-Royce type, which are seen in numbers."

"The English motorists buy cars that are well made and keep them for a number of years. You will not find them trading cars every year or so, as we do in America, partly because they have not the means to be extravagant, and, secondly, that

the road conditions are so good that the Englishman uses his motor car essentially for transportation. As long as it runs without a heavy upkeep cost he will continue to use it. This accounts for many automobiles we see which have headlights that must be lighted with a match. We see all manner of brass radiators and windshields, types so old that in America they would be considered obsolete."

"The English are great users of trucks and char-a-bancs. The roads are full of these large vehicles. The char-a-banc is a car with seats, and is a counterpart of our buses and motor stages. It is an immense advantage to the inhabitants of rural towns, enabling them to have cheap transportation. This road transportation also enters into, as an element of the problems of motor vehicle merchandising, for it obviates the necessity of an individual buying a car in many instances."

Did Not See Accident

Mr. and Mrs. Botterill drove about 4,000 miles in England. He remarks that during all of their stay they did not see a single accident.

"This is largely due to the fact that every driver is considerate of every other driver. There seems to be no partitioned speed limit. The whole thing is that the drivers must be careful, resulting in comparatively few accidents, even in a city of the size of London. The way traffic is handled in London was a revelation. The traffic officer's word is law. And they handle an enormous amount of traffic without apparent difficulty. The Royal Automobile Club of London is by far the most influential automobile club in the world. They have a perfectly wonderful building in London, and their activities extend throughout Europe."

"The R.A.C. has a traffic man at every important crossroad in England. The duty of these men is to give information to the motorists, and also to help him in case of trouble. They are intelligent men, very efficient, and are paid by the R.A.C."

These and other things make touring in England a great pleasure. They have excellent roads, which are constantly kept in good condition. The roads are all carefully signed, and the guide books issued by two of the tire companies are very well done indeed. One of these is the best I have ever seen. It gives not only the route to everything in Great Britain, but also a description of all the interesting towns, list of principal hotels, golf courses, and everything of interest. The Englishman may proceed slowly in certain things, but there is no question that whatever he does he does thoroughly. We could get many valuable lessons from their business methods."

DURANT DRIVERS WERE FIRST AND SECOND THIS YEAR

So far as the 1923 A.A.A. championship was concerned, the team of Durant's Specialists came away from the Thanksgiving Day classic speed feat with the biggest and best slices of the prize.

Drivers of Durant Specialists furnished not only the new champion in Eddie Hearne, but also the runner-up in Jimmy Murphy.

The 1923 championship race with hardly a doubt would have resulted in a one-two-three win for Cliff's color bearers had not the deplorable accident before the start of the race prevented Harry Harris from starting in the windup contest, for Harry was in third place on the table with \$20 points, and Milton and Cooper, his closest pursuers, on Turkey Day, failed to finish. As it was Harris landed in fourth place.

The end of the struggle found Cliff's climbers occupying three of the four highest rungs on the season's speed ladder. In this year's lengthy battle for the championship Durant teamsters won five of the eight classic contests. In none of them did they fail to land one, two or three men in the first three places as follows:

Los Angeles, February 25—First, Fresno, April 26—First and second. Indianapolis, May 10—Second and third. Kansas City, July, 4—First and third. Altoona, September 5—First and second. Fresno, September 29—First, second and third. Kansas City, October 21—Second and third.

Los Angeles, November 29—Second and third. Summarizing the wind-up, this unbroken series of successes gave Cliff's cohorts five firsts, six seconds and five thirds in eight races, a record never before equaled by one team in the whole history of automobile racing.

COLD SNAP WARNING GIVEN CAR OWNERS

Jack Frost has a way of warning car owners of his permanent encampment, but he's frequently a bit rough about it, which means that the motorist without proper preparations for the first blow of winter is quite likely to get off to a bad start.

There are many things which should be attended to as the Autumn leaves are falling. If the transmission needs a little more lubricant the wise owner who is looking ahead simply adds engine oil, knowing that when Jack Frost drops in to select his winter headquarters there will be no unnecessary drag on the engine some snappy night when the gears are cold and the lubricant congealed. This applies as well to the differential, but not to the universal joints.

The first cold snap is likely to send the owner driving to the garage for alcohol, and once he has started this winter procedure he isn't likely to bother to drain out the system so that overheating will be forestalled as much as possible. The wise owner drains out the system a few times during the Fall, thus being prepared for the anti-freeze solution when it is necessary.

In France, medical tests are necessary before a driver of an automobile is given a licence.

NEW OLDSMOBILE SIX IS NOW ON DISPLAY

Many Victorians View Six-Cylinder Model at Showrooms of Consolidated Motors (Victoria) Ltd.

The new Oldsmobile Six, which was shown to the public for the first time last week, has attracted much attention, according to Mr. Stan. Wallis, of the Consolidated Motors (Victoria) Ltd., territorial distributors for the new car. Never before in the history of the local distributing concern has the announcement of a new model created such a sensation, he said.

On the first day it was on display several hundred people viewed it, and all during the week there was scarcely a time from 10 o'clock in the morning until 8 at night that there was not a group of from ten to twenty-five people around the new car.

Favorable comment was expressed particularly on the new sedan. It has a Flaher body and is upholstered in taupe velour. The touring car bodies are of black baked enamel, trimmed with a light gold stripe around the top of the body, officials point out.

The new car has a 110-inch wheel base, three speeds forward and one reverse selective transmission, Delco electric light and starting system, Borg and Beck clutch, and a motor that is designed for the highest degree of efficiency, the distributors declare.

In describing the motor, Mr. Wallis said: "It is the L-head type, 2 1/2 inches by 4 1/2 inches with water circulating completely around every cylinder. The valves are also water cooled. It also has the latest design of oiling system, which is hollow crankshaft with a pressure feed to all the main bearings and connecting rod bearings. It is equipped with the latest type brass-back Chadwick bearings which were developed for aircraft service during the World War. The crankshaft is drilled 1/4 inch giving a pressure feed to all the crankshaft bearings."

Truck and the Road

In the last six months much has been heard about the damage done to the roads throughout the country by the motor truck. Any sane thinking individual will admit that damage has been done, but today we have the newest step in the progress of the motor truck—the tractor-trailer combination.

To the average person the tractor-trailer is a combination which is heavy, ungainly and spells ruin for everything it touches; but on the contrary it is the greatest step forward in transportation that the industry has taken in years.

The tractor-trailer combination distributes the load over six to eight wheels and allows the carrying of heavy loads without damage, and insures a smooth-running surface on the cement or macadam road at all times.

Damage to the roads is done by overloading only, resulting in the road surface being jolted heavily at times, as the springs, which are supposed to take up the bumps and shocks, are so weighted down that it is impossible for them to act properly.

Small holes appear and, due to negligence, they are not immediately repaired, resulting in larger holes being formed by wear and by water seeping through.

Much has been said about the damage done to the roads, but there are always two sides to every question. Stop for a moment and consider the benefit done to roads by the truck.

One rides smoothly along in one's car, and a truck looms ahead. You blow your horn and wear because you cannot get by immediately, and you blame the truck for destroying the road, your pleasure and everything you can think of; but do you stop to consider that you are paying in the form of taxes for the road you are riding over?

Helped Build Roads And do you know that probably hundreds of trucks were used in preparing the road for your pleasure? And do you realize that this road was constructed at a great deal less cost than it could have been ten years ago, and all because of the motor truck?

The truck hauls the cement, the stone and gravel and brings the workmen material with which to keep busy, and does it much faster and with a great deal more economy than would be possible with horses.

Days are saved in constructing the road, and many dollars in taxes are cut from your bill, and all due to the motor truck which makes the road you are blaming them for destroying. In other words, every motor truck on the road saves money for you. If it did not would not be there. No operator keeps a truck on the road which is losing money, and hence money is saved for you on every truck in operation.

SALES EXPERT JOINS WILLYS-OVERLAND, LTD.

William L. Irvine, well known in sales promotion work, is the newest addition to the Willys-Overland advertising staff at the factory. After five years' experience in newspaper work, Irvine joined the Curtis Publishing Company as editor of its house organ and sales promotion manager. During the war he served on the committee of public information attached to the Secretary of War. After the war he joined the White Company as foreign sales promotion manager, and recently completed a two-year trade investigation of automobile marketing conditions throughout the world for Secretary Herbert C. Hoover.

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IMPROVED CAR IS WANTED BY PUBLIC

Harry M. Jewett, President of the
Paige-Detroit Motor Car Co., Tells
of Present Situation

DETROIT, Dec. 15.—Automobile leaders appear to have widely divergent views on the 1924 products of the motor car industry. Some have maintained that developments of the next year must be radical to sell new cars. Others, including Mr. Harry M. Jewett, president of the Paige-Detroit Motor Car Company, believe that the public wants a greatly improved car, and not radically different designs in body and chassis.

Mr. Jewett, through his experience and training, is worthy of consideration when any discussion regarding marketing or the engineering design of an automobile is concerned.

He graduated in engineering from Notre Dame University with highest honor, but soon left his chosen profession for the coal business, where came his first experience in marketing a public necessity. Being an engineer, Mr. Jewett kept in close touch with all developments in this profession, and was consequently interested in the development of the automobile.

In 1909, he engaged in the automobile business, founding the company of which he is president. Here his combined engineering and marketing experience enabled him to make of the Paige Company one of the leaders in the industry in a few short years.

During the past year, major improvements and fifty-one refinements were made on the Jewett. Not one of these represented a radical change, but were born of experience of a year and a half manufacture of the Jewett, and fourteen years manufacture of the Paige.

"Increased efficiency in our products, at a minimum price," says Mr. Jewett, "has been the aim of the Paige Company."

"We have added different metals and alloys where needed. There is no greater truth than that best grade of materials and consequently, most expensive are the cheapest in the long run. Following this plan means that we are keeping the cost down, which is the ambition of all motor car manufacturers."

MOTOR NOTES

The Weiler Auto Supply House and Thomas Plimley, Ltd., have excellent Christmas displays of automobile accessories, the former winning first prize under the classification of auto supplies in the Chamber of Commerce's window dressing competition. The displays are very drowsy and are causing quite a bit of attention.

The Consolidated Motors (Victoria), Ltd., received word yesterday that for 1924 the Hupmobile factory at Detroit, Mich., would turn attention to closed cars, and is planning to build 16 per cent closed models and 30 per cent open and special models. The Consolidated Motors have now on display in their showrooms the latest Oldsmobile, Reo and Hupmobile models.

Mr. R. G. Gore-Langton, of the Langton Garage, Duncan, B.C., distributor for Paige and Jewett cars, says in the city that he is very busy. Mr. Gore-Langton has a new garage under construction which is expected to be completed within the next few weeks.

The Revercomb Motors, Ltd., local Ford dealers, are displaying the 1924 Ford closed models. The new model, in the opinion of the new coupe is excellent, and is the work of Sales Manager Tom Moryson.

"Business is fine," say Eve Brothers, local Paige-Jewett dealers. "Sales have kept up and December 31 will bring to a close a very successful year for us. We are now napping out our plans for 1924 and hope to make it the biggest year since we have been in business."

The National Motor Co., Ltd., reports that Ford sales have been excellent this month. A number of Fords have been ordered to be delivered Christmas morning.

NASH MOTOR COMPANY REPORTS BIG BUSINESS

Export Business Has Increased 223
Per Cent This Year Over 1922—
Factory Working at Capacity

That American automobiles are rapidly invading foreign countries to an increasing extent, is shown in export reports recently completed by many firms in the country.

Among the leaders in increased sales to foreign territory is the Nash Motors Company, according to officials. Reports of this concern show 223 per cent this year over 1922, it is claimed by members of the firm.

The export crating and shipping department is one of the important divisions of the Nash factory, and every facility for careful shipment of cars is provided, officials announce.

NEW AUTOMOBILE WINS RECOGNITION

Ford Car Has Won Recognition as the
Universal Car Throughout the
World—Lincoln Popular Car

Whether in the Northern Ontario forests as the forest protection car of the Canadian Forestry Association, or serving government officials in Java, delivering groceries to your door, or taking you for pleasure rides, the Ford car has won recognition as the Universal Car throughout the world.

Sponsored also by the Ford Motor Company, the little car's big and stately brother, the worthy "Lincoln" car, is also attaining recognition from all sources.

During the Prince of Wales' visit to Calgary he used a Lincoln touring car; and while in Winnipeg Honorable David Lloyd George made use of a Lincoln seven-passenger sedan. Orders have been received by the Ford Motor Company, of Canada, Limited, for shipment of several Lincoln cars to various overseas dominions.

DOCTORS RECOMMEND RIDING

CALGARY, ALTA., Dec. 12.—A herd of 300 Shetland ponies is maintained on a farm near here by Mrs. L. Livingston, who sells perhaps 17-18 ponies in a single year. She quotes doctors on riding for children, these holding that for the growing child it is excellent, counteracting many youthful complaints affecting the limbs.

Winter Driving Don'ts

Don't assume that there is plenty of oil in the crank case just because the indicator registers "full." Half of it may be gasoline, especially in winter when the engine is choked excessively.

Don't race the engine to warm it up. Run it normally and try to keep the spark retarded, advancing it momentarily to prevent stalling as necessary. A retarded spark helps warm things up.

Studs and cap screws are frequently twisted off in attempting to remove them, especially when they have become rusted in place, while bolts are frequently twisted off due to being partially sheared, or rusted in position, says Automobile Digest. A convenient tool for the removal of such parts can be made from a piece of three-eighths inch square tool steel with one end tapered to one-eighth inch and the other to three-sixteenths, and then hardened. Screws and studs can be removed by drilling a hole in their centre and driving the tool into this hole will then permit removing them with a wrench applied to the large section of the tool.

The lighting system of a motor car in addition to the lamps consists of wiring by means of which the current is conveyed to the filament of the bulb, fuses, which protect the lamp bulb from an excessive flow of current due to defects in the system and the switch, by means of which the flow of current to the bulb is controlled. Defects in any of these parts as well as in the reflection of the light will affect the lighting system of the vehicle. Thus one can readily appreciate that there are a number of factors which may affect road illumination.

The annual cost of owning and operating the 14,000,000 motor vehicles in the United States is \$1,500,000,000, and the investment in these vehicles is \$10,000,000,000.

GIFTS FOR THE CAR OWNER

Gifts That Will Please the Motorist

A new Tire, a Spotlight, a Rear-View Mirror, a set of Bumpers—there are dozens of acceptable gifts that you can choose for the man who owns a car. This well-equipped service station provides a splendid choice of the world's best accessories at strictly fair and reasonable prices.

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A complete selection of styles to choose from at prices from \$3.25 to \$2.00

STUDEBAKER MAKES CUT IN CLOSED CARS

Manufacturing Economies Effected by
Gigantic Closed Body Plant
Just Completed

Important reductions in the prices of the complete line of 1924 model closed cars, was announced last week by Studebaker.

These reductions are made possible by economies effected by the operation of Studebaker's mammoth new \$2,000,000 closed body plant, recognized as the finest in the industry. Studebaker's facilities for the building of closed bodies excel those of any other motor car builder.

The latest unit to be placed in operation is a brick and reinforced steel structure, six stories high, 100 feet in width and 800 feet in length. Some idea of the gigantic size of this single unit may be gained by comparing it with the Woolworth Tower, which is 722 feet high, or eight feet less than the length of this new Studebaker closed body plant.

"It is a policy of long standing that Studebaker's manufacturing savings be shared with its customers," said Mr. R. Jamieson, local Studebaker dealer. "Hence this reduction of prices as soon as the new body plants were placed in operation. Yet the quality of Studebaker cars has not been decreased. In fact, the present closed cars are the finest cars and the greatest values Studebaker has ever offered."

The gap of the spark plug should be adjusted to the thickness of the spark plug gauge provided by the manufacturer.

A repairman received a call from a motorist who had become stranded on the road due to breaking of the fabric in the universal joint on the drive shaft. The mechanic knew he could not procure another fabric until the next day, but the car owner insisted that he must proceed on his way as he had an important business engagement. The mechanic then determined to improve a repair which would meet the emergency. He knew that strength combined with flexibility was required of the part, but at first was at a loss what to use until he thought of a chain, which seemed to possess the required properties.

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The Radio World

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REINARTZ SET EASY TO MAKE

Full Description of Component
Parts, Together With
Method of Winding Main
Coil, Is Given

OPERATION IS SIMPLE AND CIRCUIT SELECT

Tuning Done With Grid Con-
denser, Which Brings in All
Stations—Instructions on
Matter of Attachment

THE simplest regenerative receiver to construct and operate, which affords a maximum amount of selectivity with minimum amount of apparatus, is unquestionably the Reinartz circuit. In addition to this it is probably one of the easiest to handle, as will be seen from the description of the methods of tuning which will be given in the course of this article.

The essential parts of this receiver, outside of the vacuum tube with its batteries, consist of two condensers and a single coil. The latter, however, is not continuous in its winding.

The two condensers are comparatively small in capacity, and are connected in the grid and plate circuits respectively. The grid condenser is a thirteen-plate affair and that in the plate circuit has twenty-three plates. Both should be of very good make and should have a sharp minimum capacity. The best type for this purpose is that which is based on the square law principle.

Description of Coil
The coil, which, of course, is a rather important element in the receiver, can be readily acquired, as there are several types on the market that have been specially wound for this circuit. It invariably takes the form of spider-web winding. It can be easily made by the fan who likes to make his own apparatus by winding it upon a circular disk two inches in diameter. Nine pins should be inserted in the circumference of the disk at equal distance from each other and arranged radially, like the spokes of a wheel. The winding will be laid so that it criss-crosses between these pins.

In winding the coil No. 24 double covered cotton wire should be used. This, of course, must be copper magnet wire. First of all, forty-five turns should be wound, taps being taken off at the fifteenth, thirtieth

and forty-fifth turns. At the end of the forty-fifth turn a distinct break must be made in the winding. These forty-five turns constitute the plate coil. The winding must then be continued in the same direction, but must not have any electrical connection with the plate coil. Taps will be taken off each of the first four turns, then the seventh and then the ninth, these taps being joined to the set of switch points constituting the aerial-tuning portion of the coil. The winding will then be continued until a total of twenty-five turns have been added, when tapping will again start. The next tap will be the thirty-second turn, then the thirty-ninth turn, and finally the forty-sixth turn. The taps from twenty-five to forty-six constitute the secondary, or grid, circuit.

Connecting Condensers
The twenty-three plate variable condenser will have one side connected to the aerial and the other side to the switch lever which controls the plate coil. The thirteen plate condenser will be placed squarely across the grid coil. This can be accomplished by connecting the rotor plate side of the condenser to the ground terminal and stationary plate side of the condenser to the switch lever controlling the grid circuit. This is shown in the diagram. In order to make it absolutely clear the aerial coil has a total of nine turns, and the total number of turns in the aerial and grid portion of the coil should be forty-six. The connections of the circuit should be as shown in the diagram.

In tuning this circuit it will be found that the switch points can be left permanently set at a point which gives the best results. The only critical tuning will be in the grid condenser, and it will be found that a slight turn of this condenser will progressively bring in the different stations of the various wave-lengths within its range with the greatest ease and freedom from interference. The plate condenser is not at all critical, and an extremely weak signal, when a certain amount of care will have to be exercised in tuning. In other words, when listening for distant stations both condensers should be moved very slowly and very carefully.

Good Tuning Point
One of the points in tuning this circuit that will be readily discovered by the user is the fact that it is advisable not to use too much inductance in the grid side of the coil; the best position will be readily found by a little experimentation. Since a grid leak is used in this circuit the positive side of the filament should be made the return lead of the grid circuit. This means that the positive side of the battery should be the one that is connected to the ground. The object of this is to provide the positive potential at the opposite side of the grid leak, so that the accumulation of negative electrons on the grid will be allowed to leak off and permit the tube to operate satisfactorily at that point of its characteristic curve which gives the best rectification.

Canadian Test Smashes Radio Records

MONTREAL, P. Q., Dec. 15.—That radio amateurs in Canada may soon have a system for relaying private messages across the continent, which is equally efficient as that of American operators across the border, was indicated here today by an announcement that five crack stations had sent an eight-word message from ocean to ocean, beating all previous Canadian records.

The peculiar feature of the incident is that the test was entirely impromptu and was made on the suggestion of an amateur in Toronto. It is regarded as a coincidence that several of the best stations in the Dominion were "on the air" at the same time, otherwise the test would have been a failure, for coast to coast work is still uncommon.

Soon after a transcontinental radio test was suggested at 1:30 p.m., by a member of the American Radio Relay League, the operator of amateur station ZNI at Toronto received a message from Canadian 4DY, addressed to IAR and relayed it to amateur station ZBN, which is operated by J. M. Miller, of this city. The message read as follows: "Greetings from Nova Scotia, success to the test." This was relayed through to SCT in Duncan, B. C., on Vancouver Island.

The stations are located at great distances from one another, but once they had lined up for the impromptu race, the night of the message across the country was made without a hitch. Aware that the reputation of Canadian operators was at stake, all of the amateurs stood by for acknowledgements, and the reply came back to ZBN here over the same route in about ten minutes.

USE TUBES PROPERLY

How many times has a set refused to function correctly and the blame been laid to the set itself? Times without number. However, the chief cause of the failure of the set can oftentimes be laid to the improper use of the tubes employed. With every tube purchase comes a little printed slip, showing the different important points which should be taken into consideration if the proper efficiency is to be gotten out of it. A certain approximate plate voltage must be used. A certain filament voltage must be supplied. A certain method of connecting the filament-grid leads must be used. A specific grid capacity and leak value has been found to be the best. A certain make of tube works at its highest efficiency in certain capacities, either as radio-frequency amplifier, detector, audio-frequency amplifier, or power amplifier. If you want to get the maximum efficiency out of your set, accommodate it to the type of tubes that best fit the case and follow the directions the manufacturer has taken the trouble to prepare for you.

BROADCASTING TRUST CURBED

British Postal Authorities
Adopt Measures to Protect
Owners of Various Radio
Appliances

OBJECTION TO COMPANY BEING GIVEN PRIVILEGES

Taxpayers Should Not Be Expected to Pay Cost of
Operating Any Radio System

THE British Postal authorities have succeeded in stopping what threatened to become a radio broadcasting trust, which would also have controlled the sale of sets, refusing listening-in licences to all except those whose sets were stamped "B.B.C.," including home-made sets.

The letters "B.B.C." stood for British Broadcasting Company, which through a recent arrangement between the Government and the radio manufacturing industry, was to have exclusive right to broadcasting in the British Isles. This company was to be financed from tariff payments on manufactured receiving apparatus and from licence fees to be paid by listeners, to the Post Office. It was a condition of the licence that apparatus of foreign origin, with certain exceptions, would not be available for use under the scheme—all British-made apparatus being marked "B.B.C."

In a report to the Postmaster-General on August 23, Major-General Sir Frederick H. Sykes, chairman of the British Broadcasting Committee, says: "The system of marking apparatus and deriving revenue from broadcasting service from royalties on such apparatus gave the company a privileged position; we have had no proof that they have made any improper use of it; but the system is open to objection from several points of view, and should be abandoned as soon as possible." The report admits that the company successfully established a broadcasting service of considerable merit, despite many difficulties, and was partly successful in ensuring that the demand for receiving sets during the initial period should mainly benefit British manufacturers, who established the service. But the scheme "has broken down in certain respects," the report adds. "Targely owing to the unforeseen facility, cheapness and popularity of the construction of home-made sets."

Licensing Recommendations

Important among many recommendations made in the report which favors broadcasting, but does not want the Government to run it nor a single company to do so exclusively, is the recommendation that a broadcasting board be established by statute to assist the Postmaster-General. The broadcasting should be done under Government licence. It is believed by the committee, which agrees that the service of the B.B.C. should be continued for a definite period, subject to modifications of the licence. "The Government should keep its hands free to grant additional licences," the report avers.

No part of the cost of broadcasting should fall upon the taxpayer, and the Government should not endeavor to make a profit on the administration, the Committee suggests. Revenues should be derived from receiving licence fees of ten shillings per annum, of which 7s. 6d. might be allocated towards broadcasting expenses.



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Scientific and Industrial Development

SINCE the anthracite coal dispute was "settled" and people in this part of the world learned the glad tidings that their winter fuel would be available, little has been heard since of happenings in connection with the industry. Too little publicity, for example, has been given in Canada to the report of the United States Coal Commission on anthracite investments and profits. If more had been heard, the exploited consumer now paying fabulous prices for his hard coal might be in a better position to understand who gets the money and in a more determined frame of mind to hasten the day when he can be independent of the coal masters of Pennsylvania.

Highest profits on record in the anthracite industry were exacted by operators during the first quarter of 1923, says the U. S. Commission's report. These profits are growing and appear as if they will continue to do so. The average annual dividend of the Illinois Coal Company, one of the largest in the anthracite group, was 104 per cent, and its profit per ton in 1922 was \$6.98. In 1921 the declared dividend was 205 per cent, and in 1922 was 190 per cent. The profits of the ten big railroads, which produce three-fourths of the anthracite shipped, made an average profit

of \$1.15 a ton during the first three months of 1923, which is three times as much as a few years ago. Coal operators, according to the report, conceal the excessive nature of these profits by arbitrarily increasing the value of coal properties carried on the companies' books without any real additional investment. This revaluation amounts to nothing more than crossing out \$3,000,000 and writing \$10,000,000 as the value of coal lands owned by a company. Revaluation of this character between 1913 and 1921 totalled \$93,000,000. To this should be added, says the report, a \$66,000,000 increase in the book value of certain coal property of railroad companies, making a total of more than \$159,000,000 for bookkeeping profits upon. The commission recommends that "complete publicity of accounts to be given through a federal agency with power to compel reports and prescribe the form of accounts." Consumers in Canada are powerless to effect any relief from excessive profits made in the United States, but there is one bit of advice in the coal commission's report upon which they might act. "The consumer," says the report, "has in his own hands a measure of protection against unreasonable profits. We commend to consumers the use of substitute fuels."



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The First Incandescent

At the present time, according to a "History of the Electric Light" issued by the Smithsonian Institution, there are 350,000,000 incandescent lamps in use in the United States and about an equal number in use in foreign countries.

When Edison first began the study of the incandescent light in 1879, there were several commercially established arc light systems in use in the United States. All these systems operated on the "series" system, the only system for distributing electricity known at the time. In this system current generated in the dynamo armature flowed through the field coils, out to one lamp after another over a wire, and then back to the dynamo. There was no means by which one lamp could be turned on or off without doing the same with all the others on the circuit. Edison realized that while this was satisfactory for street lighting, where arcs were generally used, it never would be commercial for household lighting. He, therefore, decided that a practical electric lighting system must be patterned after gas lighting, with which it would compete. He, therefore, made an intensive study of gas distribution and reasoned that a constant pressure system could be made similar to that of gas. The first problem was, therefore, to design a dynamo that would give a constant pressure instead of constant current.

After many experiments Edison was successful, and in 1879, he made a dynamo which met every requirement and, in the same year, a carbon lamp in which the filament consisted of a carbonized piece of ordinary thread. On October 21, 1879, current was turned into the lamp and it lasted forty-five hours before it failed. A patent was applied for on November 4 of that year and granted January 27, 1880. All incandescent lamps today embody the original features.—Scientific American.

A Whirlwind of Manufacture

It is the agreeable custom of those who worked in various Government Departments during the war to meet once a year at dinner. Mr. Winston Churchill presided at such a dinner of the Ministry of Munitions the other night, and in proposing the chief "past describe" and "concoct" and with some humor the vastness both of the work and of the staff of the Ministry.

"What a harvest followed on the two years' tremendous effort which preceded 1918! At the battle of Loos 1,500 to 1,600 tons of munitions were fired. In one week in 1918 there were hurled at the enemy from the muzzles of our guns 90,000 tons of steel and explosives. In the March push of the Germans in 1918 the British army lost nearly 1,200 pieces of artillery. In less than a month the whole of that enormous armament was replaced and was in its position in the field.

"Such illustrations were only typical of what occurred. Every week he used to say to Sir James Stevenson that the staff must be got down by 200 or 300, and every week at the end it showed a rise of 700 or 800. In fact, if the war had not stopped when it did, the troops, when they came back, would not have found England at all. They would have found the Ministry of Munitions—every man, woman and child, dog and cat, would have been woven into it."

Mr. Churchill supposed this was the nearest approach to socialism—social organization for production and distribution—that had ever been developed in the world, and probably the highest form that ever would be developed.—London Times.

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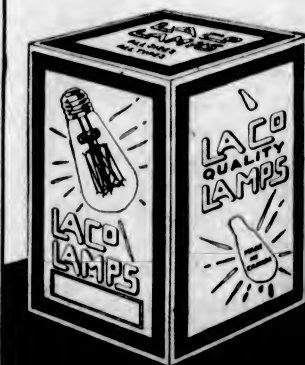
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Heavy Oil Engines

Internal combustion engines using heavy oil have developed along several distinct lines, and as engines of this class have come into such extended use the prospective purchaser is often considerably puzzled as to the type he should select. Questions of price, reliability and efficiency, weight and speed, all come up for consideration, and manufacturers are so numerous and so varied in their claims that it is difficult to make the best choice is by no means easy. Considering stationary engines for land purposes only, we have first what may be called the full Diesel engine, working either on the four-stroke or two-stroke cycle with high-pressure air-injection of the fuel. We shall restrict the term Diesel to this kind of engine in accordance with historical accuracy. The next type differs from this principally in the fact that the fuel is injected by means of a pump. It may be called the airless injection cold-starting engine. The third important type, frequently misnamed the semi-Diesel engine, is the medium compression two-cycle design with hot bulb ignition. This for brevity we shall call the hot-bulb engine. There are other types of heavy oil engine in use or in more or less advanced stages of development, but those we have mentioned fairly represent the choice offered to the ordinary purchaser. The salient facts relating to various kinds of engines were put before the Diesel Engine Users' Association on November 18 by Mr. Geoffrey Porter in a paper entitled "Some Considerations Affecting the Choice of a Heavy Oil Engine." So far as fuels are concerned, it may be said that any oil one type of engine will run on can be used satisfactorily in the other types, though slight modifications may be needed. At any rate, there is not sufficient difference in the adaptability of the different engines to various fuels to make this point a matter of importance, particularly as a comparatively small number of fuels are available in marketable quantities. When using a fuel oil with a calorific value of 18,000 B.T.U. per lb., the average consumption of a four-stroke Diesel engine at full load is given by Mr. Porter as 0.43 lb. per brake horse power hour. This compares with 0.425 lb. for a two-stroke single acting Diesel and 0.413 lb. for a cold starting airless injection engine. The two-stroke hot bulb engine is credited with a full load consumption of 0.57 lb. per brake horse power hour. The lowest consumption obtained within the knowledge of the author, for engines of the types named, is 0.39 lb. per brake horse power hour, a figure which has been attained both by a two-stroke Diesel and a four-stroke airless injection cold starting engine.—Engineering.

Platinum Substitutes
Mr. E. A. Smith, A.R.S.M., delivered a lecture recently to the Sheffield section of the Institute of Metals dealing with "Substitutes for Platinum." He said that the physical and chemical properties of platinum gave it a unique position amongst the useful metals, and its importance in the realms of science and industry could hardly be overestimated. It was not surprising, therefore, that the demand for platinum had increased very considerably during the past few decades; unfortunately, however, the production of the metal was limited, and the world's total output had for some years been quite inadequate to meet the ever-increasing demand. In consequence, the price had risen very rapidly until it was now approximately six times that of gold, weight for weight. The phenomenal activities in all branches of scientific research and in manufacturing enterprises during the past twenty years had resulted in a continually increasing consumption of platinum, whilst statistics showed that owing to the falling-off of supplies from Russia, the world's production of the metal had been on the decline. This shortage of platinum had recently become so acute that active research had been carried out, especially during the past five years, in order to find substitutes wherever possible. As a result, a number of alloys had been suggested, and some few of them had proved successful for certain specific purposes and had begun to take a more or less prominent place in industry. Research, the lecturer proceeded, had failed to produce a substitute which in all its properties could take the place of platinum for general purposes. The possibilities of finding such a substitute were somewhat remote. In considering platinum substitutes, the lecturer stated that it should be borne in mind that in the case of platinum itself it was seldom that all the combined valuable chemical and physical properties were required for its application to specific purposes; usually only two or three of its properties were absolutely necessary, whilst others were only of secondary importance in the particular use to which the metal was being put. Owing to these facts, it had become possible to find suitable substitutes for platinum in a few well-defined cases. The electrical and chemical industries absorbed comparatively large amounts of platinum, while the metal was also used in dentistry and jewelry. A number of more or less successful substitutes had been introduced in recent years in the electrical industry, notably in connection with electrical resistances, contact points on ignition and lighting systems, and the spark plug points of internal-combustion engines. A common use for platinum at one time was in the lead-in wires conveying current to the filament of electric incandescent lamps, and similar apparatus, because the metal possessed a coefficient of expansion similar to that of glass, and in consequence could be sealed through glass. The iron-nickel alloy known as "platinite," containing 46 per cent of nickel and about 95 per cent of carbon, had practically the same coefficient of expansion as glass, and could be drawn into fine wire which could then be coated with copper and again with platinum. A similar copper-nickel steel was known as "Dumet." Such wires could be sealed through glass without undue trouble and were extensively used in the electrical industry.—Engineering.



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Plays and Players

Rollicking Picture at The Royal This Week

Cast of Famous Montague Glass Story Thrown Into Convulsions by Acting of Barney Bernard and Alexander Carr During Filming—Director Badger Has Difficult Task in Making Cast Control Their Sense of Humor

A "FIRST-NIGHTER" is a person, generally the male of the species, who makes a practice of attending all the premiere performance of all plays. The "First-Nighter" is especially partial toward comedies, and there's a reason. While there is a distinction in being one of the first to see a play, he gets additional enjoyment out of the performance through the inability of the cast to restrain their risibilities when the leading players start "putting over" the humor.

Of course this reaction wanes with every performance, but on the first night the supporting cast laughs with the audience, because they cannot help it. Later it becomes stale to them and they get no further "kick" out of it, unless the star should suddenly inject an impromptu joke into his lines.

But the fact remains that a spectator laughs more heartily when he sees the other actors trying to stifle their laughter. And thereby hangs a tale.

During the filming of "Potash and Perlmutter," a First National picture which will be the attraction at the Royal all this week, produced by Samuel Goldwyn and directed by Clarence Badger, work had to be suspended on many occasions because the members of the supporting cast could not control their sense of humor while watching the leading players perform before the camera. This necessitated many "retakes."

Barney Bernard and Alexander Carr, the co-stars with Vera Gordon, had played their respective roles of Abe Potash and Morris Perlmutter on the stage for many years, but had never appeared in this play in motion pictures until they were signed up by Mr. Goldwyn.

Production started. Director Badger would explain the action of the scene to be "shot" and there would be a preliminary rehearsal. Then he would shout, "Action! Camera!" A moment later he would jump up, throw the script on the floor, tear his head and mutter a few unprintable remarks. For Bernard and Carr were so funny that the other players would burst into laughter in sequences where they were supposed to look serious. Another scene had been ruined.

This kept up for a week and Badger was desperate. It was only after he

had threatened to discharge the entire cast that he was able to proceed with the filming. But even then he was nervous every minute that the stars were before the camera.

The supporting cast of "Potash and Perlmutter" includes De Sica Moore, Jerry Devine, Lee Donnelly, Lee Kohlmar, Hope Sutherland, Martha Mansfield and Ben Lyon.

"VILLAGE BLACKSMITH" ABOUNDS IN PATHOS

Columbia Theatre's Offering Is Fox Super-Production—Said to Impress Most Jaded Picture-Goer

One of the most beautiful and touching scenes ever flashed on the silver screen will be seen when the latest William Fox super-production, "The Village Blacksmith," adapted from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's poem, is shown at the Columbia Theatre for three days, commencing tomorrow. This pathetic scene takes place between Pat Moore, who plays the young son of the blacksmith, during the early part of the picture, and William Walling, who portrays the principal role.

The little lad falls from a high tree and is injured. He is carried to the office of the Village Doctor and his father arrives just as the doctor pronounces that the boy will be crippled for life. It was this bit of acting by a talented leading man and an equally talented child that caused a hardened New York critic to write:

"If you think you are thrill-proof and your tear-well has gone dry, see 'The Village Blacksmith.'"

Where the whale herds go when they migrate or whether they do migrate is one of the problems which are of the first importance. Any and every piece of knowledge bearing on the rate of breeding and of growth, on the food and the habits of the whale will be valuable. It is time, and high time, the lesson was learnt that the right policy for commerce in its dealings with the animal kingdom is to look to the supplies of the future.—Daily Telegraph.

AMUSEMENTS

The Screen
Capitol—Midge Kennedy in "The Purple Highway."
Columbia—"The Village Blacksmith," starring William Walling.
Dominion—Hope Hampton in "The Gold Diggers."
Royals—"Potash and Perlmutter," featuring Barney Bernard and Alexander Carr.

HOPE HAMPTON STAR IN BELASCO FILM

Dean of Drama Praises Screen Version of Stage Sensation, "The Gold Diggers"—Cast Large and Costly

Another Warner Brothers classic of the screen is scheduled to appear at the Dominion Theatre this week. This is "The Gold Diggers," featuring Hope Hampton, an adaptation of the David Belasco stage play of the same name. When Mr. Belasco read the scenario for the picture version of his play, he expressed himself as very much pleased with the work of Grant Carpenter, who wrote it, and said that it embodied the spirit and zest of the snappy play which enjoyed such unusual success in its two years on Broadway and subsequent run in the principal cities.

Contrary to its literal meaning, "gold diggers" are not people engaged in searching the depths of the earth for the precious metal, but as shown in this picture—they are beautiful young women whose profession is dancing and acting, but who spend their spare time "digging" for gold in the form of entertainment, jewels, clothing and money; and these incidents they get from business men who seek diversion from the worry and stress of business.

Thus a troupe of gold diggers, led by one Jerry Lamar, the wildest and gayest of the party, live merrily in a large apartment while their expenses are being paid for by a number of wealthy men.

How true love enters into their lives and complicates the entire affair and how Jerry plots and plans to bring things to a successful termination is brought out in this film in a highly interesting and thoroughly amusing way.

The large and expensive cast is composed of Hope Hampton, Louise Fazenda, Windham Standing, Gertrude Short, Alec Francis, Jed Prouty, Arita Gillman, Peggy Brown, Margaret Seddon, John Harron, Ann Cornwall, Edna Tichenor, Frances Rose, Marie Prade, and Louise Beaudet. Harry Beaumont directed this David Belasco production.

GREENWICH VILLAGE IN CAPITOL PICTURE

Plot Is Woven Around Poor Artist and Girl Struggling to Win Theatrical Fame

Greenwich Village, New York, studio life as it is and not as some writers are wont to depict it, is a scene of many interesting sequences in the Paramount picture, "The Purple Highway," featuring Midge Kennedy, which will be shown at the Capitol Theatre all this week, starting tomorrow.

The story tells of a young playwright and musician, both of them failures as far as their professions go, who, spurred on to further efforts by April Blair, little slaver in the Home for Artistic Failures, of which they are inmates, come to live in New York City in the vicinity of Washington Square. Here Edgar Craig starts work on his new play, and Joe Renard takes April in hand—for she has hopes of some day becoming a great stage star. April's dream becomes a reality when their little attic studio is visited by an eminent theatrical manager, whom April recognizes as Manny Bean—be, too, was at one time a member of the old Home, but is now a successful producer. Edgar's play is accepted and Joe is engaged to arrange the musical score, and April is chosen as the star. The identity of the author of the play is, by order of Craig, carefully concealed from her.

So it is a great revelation when, after a trial run in Bridgeport, and the play having scored heavily in New York, April learns that Edgar Craig is really Edgar Prentice, author of the production, and that he is anything but a failure. Many dramatic scenes transpire before April and Edgar plough their truth.

In the supporting cast are Monte Blue, leading man; Pedro de Cordoba, Vincent Coleman, Dore Davidson, Emily Fitzroy and other capable screen artists.

PANTOMIME TO HAVE BRILLIANT COSTUMES, SCENES

Under the auspices of the Gonaes Chapter, I.O.D.E., the well-known pantomime, "Peter Pan's Dream," will be produced here by that popular favorite, Mr. R. E. Hincks.

The brilliant lighting and scenic effects, fine singing, clever dancing, and tremendous all-star cast, all help to produce one of the most marvellous Christmas pantomimes ever witnessed here.

Many well-known characters will appear in this production, including Mr. McCloy as Captain Hook, who will undoubtedly prove a great success in



A Scene From "The Gold Diggers," the Feature Picture at the Dominion Theatre This Week. Hope Hampton Plays the Leading Role in This Production.

the part which has been assigned to him. Naturally, Captain Hook would not be complete without his bodyguard, and this group, trained by Mr. J. MacFarlane, will appear with the captain, while Mr. MacFarlane himself is to give one of his popular dances.

This pantomime is brimful of interest from start to finish, and is perhaps the most breeziest, speediest and brilliantly humorous production that Mr. Hincks has ever placed before Victoria audiences.

MUSIC LOVERS' NIGHT AT ROYAL TOMORROW NIGHT

As usual, on Monday night, Music Lover's Night will take place at the Royal Victoria Theatre, when a very fine programme will be rendered by a special augmented orchestra. This programme promises to be one of the best rendered this season. This extra attraction will be given in addition to the feature play, "Potash and Perlmutter," which will be the attraction all this week at the Royal. Some of the numbers to be rendered during the evening are as follows:

Overture, "The Belle of New York" (G. Kerk); picture music, "Scenes From an Imaginary Ballet" (Coleridge-Taylor); fox-trots, "Twelve O'clock at Night," "Easy Melody," "Sun-uv-er-gun."

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So great has been the fame of Lieut.-Commander John Philip Sousa as a bandmaster and composer of the nation's marches, that it is not generally known to the public that Sousa's Band is the only self-supporting musical organization of its kind in America, and that the great opera companies, and the symphony orchestras of the great cities are all subsidized or guaranteed against financial loss for limited seasons, while Sousa goes up and down the land playing three hundred or more engagements a season to receipts which pay the salaries of more than one hundred musicians and soloists as well as the tremendous items of transportation, baggage transfer, theatre rental and printing that go with the exploitation of a musical or theatrical organization.

It is evident to the most innocent bystander that Sousa has prospered because he has met a popular appeal with his music and because he has taken his music to the people. Including New York, there are perhaps twenty symphony orchestras in America. Few give more than two concerts a week over a period of more than twenty-five weeks a year. Yet it is seldom that the receipts from the sale of tickets is alone sufficient to bear the cost of the season, and recourse must be had to the financial backers. The same is true of opera, and even the great Metropolitan Opera in New York is not supported by sale of tickets alone, but has backers to whom it may look in case of a disastrous season.

But Sousa has toured America for the past thirty-one years, each year giving 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 people good music and they have rewarded him with their dollars as well as with their applause. And it is significant that the greatest Sousa audiences have not been confined to the largest cities. Sousa's record was established in Cleveland, Ohio, on September 30, 1922. Here \$17,778 was paid, at a top price of \$2 and a minimum price of 10 cents for two concerts. The volume of business may be compared with that of the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, where the maximum receipts at \$7.70 for the best seats is about \$12,000 a performance. Recently, Harry Askin, Sousa's business manager, compiled a short list of representative cities which tend to show that Sousa's popularity is not dependent upon locality or population. All the figure for one concert, and for his last season (1922) follow: Charleston, S.C., \$2,500; Bangor, Me., \$5,000; Rochester, Minn., \$4,200; Atlanta, Ga., \$7,300; Washington, D.C., \$5,000; and New York City, \$8,300.

Sousa's Band will appear at the Royal Victoria Theatre, matinee and evening, Saturday, December 29.

The German State stands in ruins, and its people are in danger of the extreme of suffering and disaster. It is here that the hand of the restorer is needed. That is England's true task. Will France assist?—Manchester Guardian.



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MYSTERY PLAY IS TO BE GIVEN HERE

"Eager Heart," With Music by Bach, to Be Presented Under Ladies' Musical Club Auspices

The Christmas mystery play "Eager Heart," is being presented at the Victoria High School on Tuesday evening, December 18, commencing at 8:15. This takes the place of the regular December recital.

"Eager Heart" has been given here once or twice before, and the Ladies' Musical Club has been very fortunate in securing the co-operation of those who were instrumental in presenting it on those occasions, while the undertaking is on a much more elaborate scale than previously attempted.

Some of Victoria's leading singers will take the solo parts. Mr. Drury Pryce, has organized a nine-piece orchestra, and Mr. F. W. Waddington will lead the choir of twenty-four voices. The music of the play is by Bach.

The following is the order of proceedings: The choir will sing an old carol; the prologue will be given, and the musicians will play a Pastoral Symphony.

After this follows the mystery play of "Eager Heart," in which the characters are Eager Heart and her two sisters, Eager Fame and Eager Sense; a poor, nameless family, three shepherds and a young man, three Kings, a vision of the Holy Family, a choir of angels, musicians. The time of the play is Christmas Eve.

Those taking part are the following: Solists—Soprano, Miss Eva Hart;

alto, Mrs. R. Baird; tenor, Mr. Maria Hale; bass, Mr. J. Q. Gillan. (Who also form the quartette.)
Orchestra—First violin, Mrs. R. H. Bennett, Mr. Drury Pryce; second violin, Mrs. Forrest Leeder, Miss Young; viola, Mrs. A. W. R. Wilby, Mr. Jesse Longfield; cello, Mrs. L. W. Hargreaves, Mr. Gordon Shaw, Piano, Mr. Ira Dilworth.

Choir—Leader, Mr. F. W. Waddington; sopranos, Mrs. Wilson, Walker, Mrs. C. Conyers, Miss Vivian Moggey, Mrs. Horace Hamlet, Mrs. F. M. Shandley, Mrs. C. M. Lewis, Miss Lele Lockwood; altos, Mrs. F. G. Aldous, Mrs. Devlin, Miss C. Humphrey, Mrs. B. M. Morton, Mrs. W. Joseph, Miss Downard; tenors, Mr. J. H. Birnie, Mr. F. W. Wilders, Mr. Ivor Brake, Mr. T. Kelway; basses, Mr. F. J. Sehl, Mr. F. Wright, Mr. H. C. Guntton, Mr. P. J. Edmonds, Mr. E. Clarke, Mr. Charles Conyers. Between Acts I and II Miss Eva Hart will sing Cherubini's "Ave Maria."

ANNA PAVLOVA TO MAKE APPEARANCE HERE IN JANUARY

Anna Pavlova, who with her ballet Russ and symphony orchestra, will appear at the Royal Theatre one night, Tuesday, January 1, was quite a sensation at the Covent Garden, London, last season.

Below are a few excerpts from critiques upon her opening performance, September 5, 1923. "Pavlova, greatest living dancer, came back to dance into the hearts of thousands at Covent Garden last night. Her Fairy Doll was exquisite. Not marionettes striving to be human, but humans striving to be dolls. The charm of it! Not the flutter of any eye, every movement mechanical, yet the very essence of grace and beauty. Pavlova and her dancing partner, Laurent Novikoff, received repeated ovations."—London Daily News, September 9, 1923.

"Pavlova's exquisite art seems to defy time altogether. This divinely gifted woman danced as some little spirit that disdains corporeal things. That graceful body and elfin face, and the superb technique, all were there, and Anna Pavlova's reception was tumultuous."—London Standard, September 9, 1923.

SAN CARLO OPERA COMPANY WILL COME TO VICTORIA

One of the most interesting operatic institutions in modern lyric enterprise is the famous San Carlo Grand Opera Company, coming to Victoria on Wednesday and Thursday, January 2 and 3, at the Royal Theatre, the engagement to last two nights and matinee.

The San Carlo is a great success largely on account of its general director and founder, Fortunio Gallo, who enjoys a somewhat unique position in American grand opera. First of all, he makes grand opera pay. This indicates that he is a good business man, something which is known to be rare in lyric circles. Second, he breaks away from most established rules of grand opera presentation, and in doing so he has been eminently successful. For instance, every year he sends his New York engagement of the San Carlo in the middle of September, at the very outset of the musical season. When he first instituted this innovation, the wise ones scoffed. It was unheard of, they said; no sensible entrepreneur would think of anything so foolhardy. But Gallo won out. He had shrewdly foreseen a healthy early season hunger for operatic fare on the part of thousands who had been without it during the summer. Moreover he catered to another large army of patrons who eagerly absorbed what he had to offer because they realized that it was the season's sole opportunity to witness first class grand opera at prices within the range of limited incomes, the only other established opera being for the main a rich man's luxury.

Fresh from a solid year's engagement at the George M. Cohan Theatre, New York City, four months in Chicago, one month in Philadelphia and two months' phenomenal success in Boston, Ed. Wynn, "The Perfect Fool" and his new musical laughing riot, is also booked for the Royal Victoria Theatre, Victoria, two nights, Wednesday and Thursday, January 2 and 3.



BARNEY BERNARD AND MARTHA MANSFIELD in a Scene From "Potsah and Parlanter," the Feature Presentation at the Royal Victoria This Week

SANTA CLAUS WILL BE AT LEGION FETE

Local Ex-Service Men's Unit to Conduct Christmas Tree on Thursday, December 27

The children of members of the Canadian Legion and of deceased ex-service men will be entertained at a Christmas party to be held in the club rooms, 1406 Douglas Street, on Thursday, December 27, from 4 to 7 o'clock. Committees are busy preparing the many items of a most interesting programme so that there will not be a dull moment throughout the proceedings. Santa Claus will be present and take an important part in the proceedings.

SCHOOL CLOSING IS GYMNASIUM DISPLAY

Jolly Affair Held on Friday Afternoon at St. Michael's Taking Form of Christmas Party for Boys

St. Michael's school-closing on Friday afternoon took the form of a Christmas party, with gymnastic display and other demonstrations, of which high spirits had an excellent opportunity to vent themselves. The programme began at half-past two o'clock and continued (with a brief intermission for tea) until six o'clock. The first item was given by the whole school, the boys, dressed in blue uniforms, marching in and giving a display under the direction of their gymnasium instructor, Mr. G. H. V. Hart. Exhibitions of gymnastic rope and rings, bars, etc., were given in turn by the juniors, the intermediates and the seniors under Mr. E. Money. Between these features there were boxing displays, cartwheels and single-stick fights. This last was highly entertaining, the winner being the boy who withstood assault best and who succeeded in exploding the largest number of balloons attached to his assailant's helmets.

The school "footer" team gave an excellent display of drill, working with wonderful precision and unanimity.

After tea the finale of the reading competition which has been in progress since the beginning of the term, took place, the prize being awarded by Mrs. Redpath and Captain Dexter, to Stephen Robinson, a grandson of Sir Clive Phillips-Woolley.

Later there was a very entertaining "circus," the tigers, giraffes, monkeys and other popular animals, as well as the ring-master, being represented by members of the newly-formed school Cub Pack of which Mrs. Kyrie Symons is Cub Mistress. This was a very comical event, and culminated with the Wolf Cub howl. The Scout Troop, under the direction of Scoutmaster Douglas Southworth, concluded the programme with a "camp fire," a picturesque half-hour event, which found the boys sitting in the glow of a typical camp fire swopping stories. An exhibition of first aid and other Scout work was part of this "turn."

ROYAL BANK DANCE ON THURSDAY NEXT

Employees of All Branches Will Join in First Social Function of Year—Zala's Quartette to Be There

What promises to be a very enjoyable function is the dance that will be given by the employees of the Royal Bank of Canada in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium, next Tuesday evening, December 25. A committee of members of the staff of the institution has completed arrangements for the affair, which undoubtedly will excel in point of excellence and merit all previous similar dances held under their auspices.

All branches of the bank are co-operating in this social undertaking, and everything that will add to the comfort and enjoyment of the patrons will be provided. Zala's four-piece orchestra will be in attendance, and will furnish a programme of the "very latest" dance numbers. Dancing will commence at 8 p.m., and continue until 1 a.m. Supper will be served during the evening. Dress will be informal.

Tickets for the affair may be secured from any of the following committee, which is in charge of the function: Mr. D. May, chairman; Miss Gertrude Hollis, Miss Walker, Mr. Jack Patterson, Mr. Harold Steenson and Mr. A. J. Ross, or from any other member of the Royal Bank staff.

GUILTY OF MURDER OF STEP-MOTHER

COQUILLE, Ore., Dec. 15.—Alvin Covell, 24-year-old, today was convicted of murder in the first degree with the recommendation of life imprisonment for the killing of his stepmother, Mrs. Rhba Covell, of Benton, Oregon. The jury was out forty-five minutes. Evidence brought out in his trial here this week was to the effect that he had committed the murder at the instigation of his uncle, Arthur Covell, crippled astrologer, who already has been sentenced to death for his part in the affair.

Gossip of Stage and Screen

The British used to smile at the American custom of picking out days out of the calendar to stir up interest in sundry things. Fire Prevention Week, Better Babies Week, Whatnot Week. But now the British are acquiring the habit themselves.

The custom slipped into England by the back door, or maybe under-nearth. The first "week" was set aside for the purpose of getting people to annihilate a few millions of the rats which infest these isles. Hardly anyone got excited over "Rat Week," but now that the cinema manufacturers have instituted "Great British Film Week," and adorned it with appearances of the Prince of Wales and Princess Mary (themselves, not a movie), the public is responding.

It seems that only 15 per cent of all the films shown in Britain are of British make; the rest come from America. And in the colonies and dominions of the British Empire, the Yankee movies are even more popular. The British National Film League opened its "week" by inviting the Prince of Wales to luncheon, and the Prince in a speech recounted what he called the "good points" of the movies.

Princess Mary did not make a speech to further British Film Week, but she consented to be present at a first-night performance of a spectacular film based on the British efforts in battle during the World War. The house was packed.

The producers here apparently do not visualize any possibility of driving the Yankee reels off British screens. What they hope for, they said, is to bring up the home industry so that 50 per cent of the films shown on English screens will be British.

Several times in the past, both in London and the provinces, certain theatres have set out to show nothing but home-made films. But soon or later box office woe has driven them back to accepting appearances of the well-known American actors and actresses on their screens.

Of the 42,920 plots and stories submitted to motion-picture producers last year by amateur writers, 43,616 were returned as "unavailable." An article appearing in the current issue of The Bulletin, official publication of the Authors' League of America, Inc., charges schools advertising courses in plot-writing with being merely money-making organizations. The article declares that film producers do not want unknown writers to submit scenarios, and that they don't, as a rule, read much manuscript.

At a recent luncheon given by the

drama section of the New York Chapter of the English-Speaking Union, at which were present many stage celebrities, including Cyril Maude and Walter Hampden, a resolution was adopted expressing mutual friendship and advocating joint work for closer and better understanding among English-speaking peoples.

Following a violent domestic scene on the sidewalk in front of his residence at 4 o'clock in the morning when he attempted to spank his daughter Barbara, a seventeen-year-old actress, for staying out all night at a party, Richard Bennett, well-known actor, has admitted the task of taking care of Barbara is too much for him and has agreed to let the girl live with her mother, with whom he recently arranged a "friendly separation." It being stipulated that Barbara was to remain with him. The scene occurred when Mr. Bennett confronted his daughter after sitting up all night for her. The actor attempted to administer the spanking right then and there on the street, but was prevented from so doing by a policeman.

The announcement has been made that Rex Ingram, internationally known motion picture director, will retire from his profession when his present contract expires owing to his desire to return to sculpture, his "first love." Mr. Ingram first became prominent as a producer of "The Four



MR. FRANCIS COMPTON Who is giving a recitation of "A Christmas Carol" Tuesday evening at the Centennial Church

Norman of the Apocalypse." He developed several stars, among them being Rudolph Valentino and Ramon Novarro.

An organization of play producers, whose membership consists entirely of U.S. playwrights, has been formed and will be in operation shortly. It is known as The Dramatists' Theatre, Inc., and it will operate with an advisory board of playwrights. The object of the new company is to give every assistance to playwrights in getting their works before the public, avoiding the present necessity of business relations with professional play producers and thereby clearing the way for a more effective method of presenting what the dramatist believes to be the better class of production.

CHRISTMAS CAROL TO BE PRESENTED ON TUESDAY NIGHT

The recitation, by request, of the reading by Francis Compton of Charles Dickens' "Christmas Carol" is attracting considerable attention. Nothing is more seasonable or reaches the "soul of men" better than this immortal story, and Tuesday evening next, at the Centennial Church, is sure to witness a large number of friends and supporters of Mr. Compton.

Admission is by ticket, now on sale at Fletcher Bros' music store, and at the door on the evening of the reading. Special arrangements can be made for students, schools, colleges, universities, etc., by communicating with the concert manager, Mr. George J. Dyke.

The choir of the church will render some carols during one or more of the stories.

New Zealand Premier Homeward Bound

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Premier Massey, of New Zealand, sailed on the Aquitania on Tuesday for home by way of the United States and Canada. He will proceed direct from New York to Quebec where he will speak. He will also deliver addresses at Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Vancouver.

Two Bombers Killed

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 15.—Lieutenant Karl D. Willis and Private De Alnard, an enlisted mechanic, were killed today when their plane crashed during bombing practice. Because of the roughness of the bombing range, no rescue planes could land near the plane of Lieutenant Willis, which burst into flames when it crashed.

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Capitol News of the Day

London News and Gossip

By Elizabeth Montizambert

LONDON, Nov. 23.—The Christmas shopping is in full swing already, the elections and unemployment notwithstanding. The change wrought in the arrangement of London shop windows in the last ten years are almost unbelievable. Time was when the only effort of imagination made by the shop managers at Christmas time was to fill the windows as full as possible with pink-cheeked, staring-eyed dolls; inartistic if useful work boxes, boxes of bricks and other undecorative toys. Today each window is a miniature fairland, not overladen with articles, but each scheme carried out with a minimum of detail and a maximum of effect.

In one big departmental shop the walls of the toy department are lined with stage scenery, so that they look like brick walls, with here and there wrought iron gates, through which are vistas of flowers. The toys for which this quaint setting has been prepared are of the most confessed, nearly all German. When Major-General MacBrien was speaking on behalf of Colonel Hamilton Gault, in Somersetshire, and said that he was taking no toys back to Canada because he could find none that were not of German manufacture, there was no exaggeration. The saleswomen make no attempt to disguise the origin of their wares. The curious thing is that they always told that German goods flooded the market because the same article cannot be produced so cheaply in England. An inquiry about the price of a handsome rag doll rather shook that belief, for 35 shillings seemed a substantial price for a rag doll of any nationality. Perhaps the price may be due to the fashion, which Paris has sent across the Channel—Paris, where I hear every Frenchwoman who belongs to Tout Paris feels obliged to have one, if not two, large-sized dolls sprawling over her salon armchairs. The word "doll" has, of course, very little relation to the flaxen-haired staring infants of one's childhood. The modern doll is intriguing, bold, vamp-like or elegant, but never insignificant, and the expression in her eye would make an early Victorian faint. Moreover, she has many uses. Besides the obvious ones of concealing telephones or tea-pots, she may occupy the proud position of the unique ornamentation of the dinner table. Clothed in a miniature copy of the latest Parisian model, her head and arms exquisitely modelled in wax, and with an immaculate coiffure, she beams upon the guests from the slight elevation of a revolving stand in the middle of the table, an amusing contrast to the cumbrous spindles of other days.

The doll whose frock is made of shells is the latest vogue. She looks very attractive with an electric light beaming through her shell-pink skirts and outlining her impertinent head.

Virtues of Fog
Londoners have needed all the light they could get on any subject these last few days, but except for the acid smell and the terribly insinuating dirt of London fog, I cannot find it in my heart to utterly condemn the London fog. It hides so many uglinesses and blue crude outlines with so much enchantment. Coming out of the Piccadilly tube on the Haymarket side, the giant steel skeleton of the gangway, building opposite is turned into a mysterious framework where giants wrestle in the gloom with mountains of brick and mortar, and one gets the impression of some mighty Wagnerian drama being carried on behind the grey veils of mist.

Canada at Exhibition
No amount of untoward weather has been allowed to hinder the progress of the Canadian Exhibition Buildings at Wembley. Mr. Tolmie tells me that he is quite satisfied with the progress already made and expects to have everything in absolute readiness by the first of April, though for that matter the Canadian pavilion is so far completed that exhibits could be taken in at once.

Everything about the Wembley Exhibition is in the hands of the people who wish to see it systematically. There are fifteen miles of roadway in the exhibition grounds, so it is good to hear that three separate systems of transport are to be employed, to obviate any overcrowding.

Not the least of the preparations are those made by Dr. Charles Harris in organizing an Imperial choir, up to a strength of 19,000, and an orchestra of 150 musicians, for the series of great choral concerts in the Empire Stadium next summer. Dr. Harris, who is leaving London this week for a short visit to Canada before beginning rehearsals, told me that the music of his six concerts represents 400 pages of choral compositions, weighing altogether ten tons. Dr. Harris will begin his sectional rehearsals, twelve each for each district, on the 14th of January, holding in all forty-eight rehearsals during the following three months. A special platform will be built at the Stadium for the Imperial orchestra.

Question of Accommodation
The question of accommodation for the thirty million—the number grows every time it is mentioned—people who are expected to pour into these islands next summer, is being much discussed. The creation of a central bureau to deal with all accommodation inquiries is not favored by the exhibition authorities, who have appointed two tourist agencies to solve the problem. It is probable that in the end an energetic campaign among householders will have to be undertaken, and all those who will

consent to give accommodation to one or more overseas guests will be asked to help on the exhibition in this way. In the meantime, many people are already booking rooms for next season.

Writing of rooms reminds me of one of the interesting little "side shows" exhibited at Wembley as an outcome of a competition organized by Sir Lawrence Weaver, the director of United Kingdom exhibits, for the best-designed dining-room and bedroom, illustrating the new ideas in house decoration and planning in 1924. The modern rooms will be included in a series of four period rooms, the first about 1750, the second, early nineteenth century; the third, 1852, showing the Victorian taste in full bloom; and the last, about 1888, when William Morris and his friends were trying to strike a blow at the almost universal ugliness of the Victorian period.

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He states that some very wonderful promises were made by prohibitionists as to the blessings under that system of handling alcoholic beverages; but he failed to state that, as yet, in Canada, except for a short period during the war, when an order-in-council by the Federal Government was in force, no Province has been under what might be properly called prohibition; nor did he state that most wonderful predictions and prophecies were made by our friends the liquor advocates under the name

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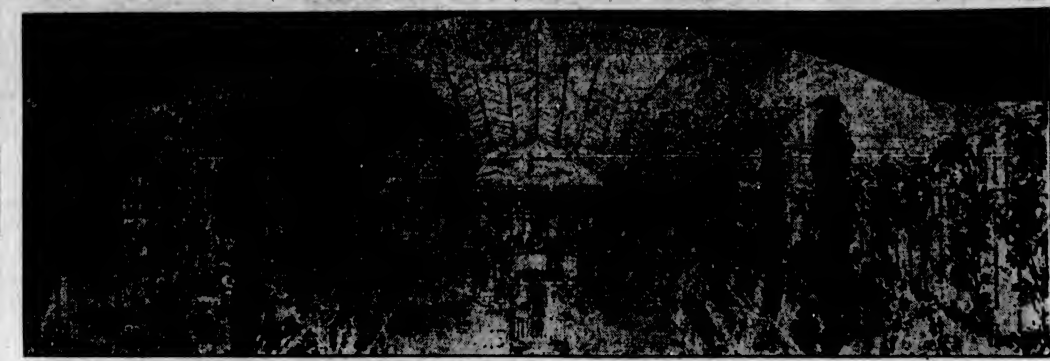
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Interior Sketch Shows Amusement Centre's Unusual Design



The amusement centre will be aptly called "Crystal Garden." Through the glass that will form the roof and a portion of the sides the sunlight will pour in upon a vast interior where vines and flowers will grow in profusion. The sketch shows the swimming pool—the largest in Canada—with seats tiered up from its sides to the promenade, which will provide at each end a dancing floor larger than that of the Empress Hotel ballroom. There will be a gymnasium and other attractions also contained in the building.

Columbia and Quebec are the worst offenders in Canada in the last two years.

If the United States placed this Act in their constitution simply because a small minority wanted it, why was it that 45 out of 48 states won out on a popular vote with thumping majorities. In the upper house 58 per cent voted for ratification, and in the lower houses 58 per cent so voted. The Volstead act was passed over President Wilson's veto by a vote of 176 to 155 in the House, and 65 to 20 in the Senate. At the last election more drys were elected than wets by far, in spite of the prediction of the wets.

The late President Harding declared that "in another generation I believe that liquor will have disappeared not merely from our politics, but from our memories."

Sir George Paish last year declared after visiting the United States, that England would follow their example and be "dry in ten years." Lord Birkenhead recently paid a fine tribute to the success of prohibition in the United States after taking a trip through the country, that it was

will be sufficient to send him to the penitentiary. Uncontaminated truth is said to be found at the bottom of a well. Then for clean keeping, why not put the halo of honesty in a cell. There are many degrees between error and guilt and so things may not be as bad as the Premier thinks. Perhaps as usual he was just talking for gallery applause. However historical and fustian phrases are not wanted from the Premier or anybody else. What the people require is quick action to prevent the money leaving the Province, if it is proved that the public has been defrauded.

Just one case (which is widely circulated) in support of the foregoing. A sworn statement has been made that for work done costing \$49,281.43, the Premier, as Minister of Railways, paid the Northern Construction Company \$193,686.66. This sort of thing will easily account for the difference between the estimated cost and the actual cost of the unfinished railway which is more than double. It is said that over twenty million dollars have been looted. You may say, Mr. Editor, what a rotten letter. Well, it would be affectionate to write decently about such a rotten business. It can hardly be doubted that considering the scandals the Premier has raised and weathered, his qualifications must be either above or below those of a statesman. Had he lived in the past he might have been the man who troubled Israel. We wish he had.

TREVOR KEENE,
Cobble Hill, B. C., December 13, 1923.

Municipal Politics

Sir,—In your issue of December 13 you publish in the column headed "Note and Comment" by R. B. D., criticism on the letters of Mr. Frank Andrews and Mr. John Dean, because they object to the members of the City Council breaking their solemn promises of drastic economy while handling and disbursing the taxpayers' money. Those promises utterly excluded the investment of any of that money in any enterprise that was in the least degree speculative, and confined expenditure to charges that could not be avoided. R. B. D., meaning no harm, endorses the expenditure of the taxpayers' money on the construction of golf links at Elk Lake on the claim that the investment would turn out to be a good one, exactly the class of investment which our councillors had faithfully promised not even to think about. They promised to reserve every cent of the taxpayers' money for the pressing needs that already existed. Messrs. Andrews and Dean strongly object to the councillors' breaking their election promises for any reason whatever, and every overburdened taxpayer will very readily join them in doing so. If the Council makes a profit of five hundred per cent on the Elk Lake golf

links it will not make the slightest difference. The councillors have broken their solemn promises, and one of them has called it a joke. The Premier has pointed to this present election, surely we may be excused if we think it does not matter whom we elect from those who offer themselves. It looks as if the taxpayers would have to strike, and surely it would be better to do so before every dollar of our money is gone.

F. M. READE,
9 Mount Edwards Apartments,
Vancouver Street, Victoria, B. C.,
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Political Amenities
Sir,—It is certainly true that ancient pronouncement, "Whom the Gods wish to destroy they first make mad." As a prelude to that destruction our members in the Provincial House have certainly been mad.

But is it not pathetic that those who were afraid to come out in the open and accept the offer made by General McRae to meet him on a

public platform, should, when safely sequestered within the precincts of the House, hurl abuse and insinuations at every one daring to oppose them. Freedom of speech has been one of the liberties of which we as Britons have been proud, but the privilege of cowards to attack and defame their opponents who are not on the floor of the House should be taken away. I feel quite sure that General McRae and Sir Charles Tupper can look after themselves, but it is not heroic to strike at the heads of humble citizens, whose only fault lies in having objected to the cruel taxes the taxpayers of the Province are called upon to pay, and asking for an independent commission to investigate expenditure, and, as in my own case, protesting most vigorously against our members increasing their own salaries without the sanction of the electors.

As to the Hon. Mr. Sloan's statement on the floor of the House, "that I am looking for something," let me say that I certainly am looking for good government for the Province of British Columbia.

BEAUMONT BOGGS,
620 Broughton Street, Victoria,
B.C., December 15, 1923.

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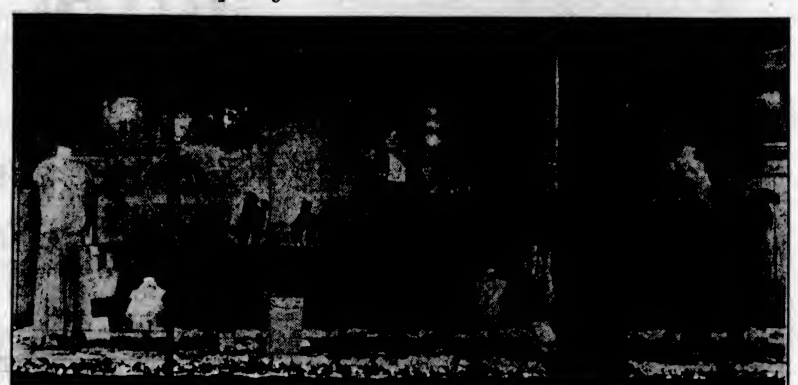
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INDIAN ELECTIONS ATTRACT ATTENTION

Victory of Home Rule Element Marks New Epoch in the Annals of Eastern Empire

LONDON, Dec. 15.—News that the legislative council of the Bengal Government has resigned because of the success of the Swaraj, or home rule party, in the recent elections, is exciting considerable attention here, where the overturn is taken as a fresh indication of the growing strength of the home rule movement. The event will doubtless be noted by future historians, says The Daily Telegraph, as a landmark in the annals of the Indian people.

The victory of the home rule extremists, however, is at present interpreted rather as a symptom than as marking the impending achievement of the Swarajists' aims. The elections to the provincial councils and legislative assembly have been in progress for a fortnight, and in most cases the efforts of the extremists to capture seats have not been very successful. Bengal is an exception.

Letters to the Editor

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"Bootlegged" Whisky
Sir,—According to your issue of yesterday, the price of bootlegged whisky under Prohibition in the States was \$1.75 per bottle. Comparing this with the liquor vendors' prices one wonders where the difference goes. One can even see a reason for the lamented exodus of Canadian citizens southward bound.

I have taken in The Colonist for the last twenty years. One good turn deserves another. Be a sport, Mr. Editor, and send me the address of a reliable bootlegger.

C. H. STEWART-MACLEOD,
Cobbie Hill, B.C., December 15, 1923.

The Cost of Education
Sir,—Letters have appeared from various writers lately on this subject, one especially deserving the consideration of the ratepayers from the pen of the late Mr. Lineham. I quite agree with the whole letter, except his suggestion about the trustees, instead of appointing new ones, I would scrap the lot.

Why keep an irresponsible body of men who may have no qualification as educationists and may not even be ratepayers, but who have the power to issue precepts for large sums of money over which they have supreme control?

The Council should be the education authority; they have to collect the money, and consequently would be more careful in the spending of it. For a city with such a small population as Victoria it looks as a pure case of megalomania which prompted the building of the High School on so pretentious a scale, and the same megalomania is now spreading to Oak Bay, where with only 400 pupils, including the High School, they propose spending \$150,000 on a High School, the first plans, I believe, had extensive marble fittings, but I understand that these have been deleted from the present plans. (Children are sent to school to be educated and not to gain grandiose ideas from stately buildings with elaborate fittings, neither are they sent to school to play, yet with ample room round one of the Oak Bay School, for recess purposes, the trustees are proposing to clear away a lot of brush to give more play ground, which may be followed with the building of a greenhouse, all means vastly increased cost of maintenance without any benefit to the children. This outlay would be much more profitably spent in an increased number of teachers with an increase in pay.

I understand the schools are now overcrowded and more space must be found, and this cannot be done without money. No ratepayer will object in paying when they know the money is beneficial and economically spent on solid education; they do object in money frittered away in schemes which have no compensating values. I think all teachers will agree that the most difficult and lowly children have to learn in concentration, and concentration is absolutely impossible if the time is constantly being broken up by trying to teach such subjects as botany, manual training, etc., only a smattering of which can be taught; evanescent in character, and consequently injurious to the young and developing brain. It is like the young and developing body, it cannot be overloaded. To teach the children to spell and to write a good hand, arithmetic properly and history, have a better and more lasting benefit on the immature brain.

Christmas Cards of the English Royal Family for 1923-1924



THE KING'S CARD

WILLIAM, PRINCE OF ORANGE, LANDING AT TORBAY, 1688.—Painted by Howard Davis. William, Prince of Orange, grandson of King Charles I, left Holland and, with an army of 15,000, landed at Torbay November 1, 1688. He was enthusiastically welcomed, and on February 13, 1689, William and Mary were proclaimed King and Queen of Great Britain and Ireland.



THE QUEEN'S CARD

THE GIRLHOOD OF MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS.—Painted by Howard Davis. Mary Stuart, Queen of Scots, spent a happy childhood and girlhood with the Royal Family of France. Her companions were four Scottish girls of her own age, all named Mary. These four Marys attended her even after her marriage to the Dauphin of France.



QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S CARD

QUEEN ANNE'S BIRTHDAY.—Painted by Howard Davis. Queen Anne in 1704, to celebrate her birthday, remitted for the benefit of the exactly endowed clergy the "first fruits" which she had the right to claim from the church. This painting shows Queen Anne receiving an address of thanks presented by a member of the clergy.



THE PRINCE OF WALES' CARD

THE FOUNDING OF KTON COLLEGE.—Kton College was founded and richly endowed by Henry VI, and the King himself laid the foundation stone in 1441. The hall, finished in 1460, and the choir and the chapel (now the College Chapel) still stand according to the original design. The other buildings of the college are of somewhat later date.

Yerk and Noakum examined mentally 1,100,000 soldiers of the American army, and their results are as follows divided into classes:
A—Very superior intelligence, 5.4%.
B—Superior intelligence, 10%.
C—High average, 15%.
D—Average, 25%.
E—Low average, 20%.
F—Feeble-minded, 44.6%.

The last two classes do not concern us in regard to High School. These authors summarize this table in this way: A, men have ability to make superior record at the university.
B—Capable of average record.
C—Cannot do so well.
D—Rarely capable of finishing a High School course.
From this analysis we arrive at the fact that 39.4% of the children would benefit from a High School course. The present system of passing into

the High School is by examination papers set by the Education Department, which may be of an elementary standard as to exclude the C—class only.
According to Goddard (Human Efficiency and Levels of Intelligence) it is possible to measure the mental liver with a high degree of accuracy up to twelve years of age. The Stanford Revision and Extension of the Binet-Simon Scale place it to sixteen or later. Would it not be more reasonable to use these tests rather than the Department papers? The Education Act requires free education up to fifteen years of age. Have the trustees the power of keeping pupils after this age? Each pupil costs \$195 per annum. Why do not the parents pay for these? They have had ten years' free education out of the ratepayers; is it not time they began to do something? There is just one matter more, if I

am not trespassing too much on your space.
The classes D, D— and E. These classes have the border line—feeble-minded, feeble minded and imbeciles. The imbeciles will, of course, be in institutions, but the D and D— classes, and Goddard in his chapter on delinquency and crime, says "The greatest cause is low-grade mentality; much of it within the limits of feeble-mindedness." This being so, what a serious responsibility D and D— are, for considering their power for evil in the future, would it not suggest that the best training power should be given them at school? To say nothing of the effect these children would have on other children if mixed in class.
THOMAS F. YOUNG,
213 Central Avenue, Oak Bay,
B. C., December 13, 1923.

CANADA'S RESOURCES

A wealth of information on Canada's natural resources, developed industries and commercial growth has been assembled in "Canada—Natural Resources and Commerce," a small, compact volume issued by the Natural Resources Intelligence Service, Department of the Interior. This is not a Government blue book, but an attractive publication compiled especially for the business man. It gives a condensed but thorough survey of Canada's varied resources and of the broad features they impart to the commerce of the Dominion by their limitations as well as by their diversity and abundance. It gives, in short, a bird's-eye view of Canada's physical assets, developed and latent.
Separate chapters of this volume are devoted to the industries and trade that have been built up around each form of natural resource—farm lands, forests, minerals, waterpowers, fisheries and fur-bearing wild life. Special attention is also paid to Canada's advance in manufacturing and to her position in international trade. It is pointed out that the rapid development of the past quarter of a century has had the effect of precipitating the Dominion into international trade on a huge scale—most conspicuously as an immense exporter of farm and forest products in raw or finished state, but also as a very heavy buyer abroad of certain classes of mineral, textile and agricultural products. Moreover, during a period of less than a generation, the whole commercial aspect of the Dominion has been transformed by the sensational advance of Western Canada in cereal production and by the equally amazing rise of the pulp and paper industry in the East and on the Pacific Coast.
"Canada—Natural Resources and Commerce," is well illustrated with photographs. In addition, it contains two very illuminating maps—one showing the main economic units into

which the country is naturally divided, and the second indicating transportation routes, industrial areas and the distribution of resources, such as arable and ranching lands, forests, water powers, mineral areas and commercial fisheries.
Not only to the Canadian business man, but to the visitor and to the student abroad, this volume gives a quick grasp of the larger features of Canada's industrial and commercial life. Copies may be obtained free of charge on application to the Superintendent, Natural Resources Intelligence Service, Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

A housewife in Washington recently wore a pedometer while doing her work and found that by a better arrangement of her kitchen she could save more than fifty-four miles of needless travel in a year.

PRINCE OF WALES SORRY HE CANNOT VISIT ALTA. RANCH

High River ranch, the property of the Prince of Wales in the province of Alberta, is one of the main interests of His Royal Highness, according to Mr. W. L. Carlyle, ranch manager, who is in Victoria attending the convention of the Western Canada Livestock Union. Recently a letter was received from the Prince covering twelve pages on matters connected with his ranch. During the past year he has shipped to High River numbers of thoroughbred horses, Clydesdales and Percherons, thoroughbred stallions, Clydesdales and fillies, forty-five head of Hampshire and a number of Southdowns. The Prince stated that he would be unable to visit the ranch next year as arrangements had been made for him to go to South Africa.

The talking moving picture is soon to appear, we are informed. It will be an improvement if it does no more than to take the talking parts away from the audience.—Kamasa City Star.

CLAIMS FIVE MILLIONS OF QUEBEC PROPERTY

Alleged Descendant of First French Settlers Enters Suit for Possession of City Lands

QUEBEC, Dec. 15.—Claiming that they were the legal owners of a large area of land belonging to the Quebec Seminary and located in the upper part of this city, Joseph Landry, a direct descendant of Louis Hebert, the first French settler in this country, today entered a claim in the Superior Court. The land is valued at \$5,000,000.

There have been many similar attempts made in the past by the descendants of Hebert for land which it is said was conceded to the Hebert family by the King of France in 1614, and known under the name of Seigneurie of Sault Au Matelot.

The Quebec Seminary and the Basille are erected on the lots affected by the action.

The petitioner, Joseph Landry, of Montreal, is acting on his own behalf, and also for the account of forty other supposed descendants.

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Captain Jimmie Chilvers and Prize Canary Twice Torpedoed in Single Day During World War—Jumps Over Into Sea With Canary and Cage in First Encounter Just Before Ship Sinks Under His Feet—Spins Wonderful Yarns

HUNDREDS of people can boast today that they were torpedoed by the ubiquitous U-boats during the World War, but to Captain Jimmie Chilvers, genial skipper of the Montreal Prince, which was loading cargo at the Hithet Piers during the major portion of last week, and to the prize canary warbling in his cabin, belongs the unenviable distinction of having been torpedoed twice on the same day!

Captain Chilvers has led anything but a prosaic life. His seafaring career has been crisscrossed with strange and thrilling adventures. He is such a man as Joseph Conrad would delight to meet. By Victoria he will be remembered as the captain whose mastery of seamanship won for him universal praise when he brought safely to shore the crew of the Tuscan Prince when that vessel was lifted over a reef bodily by a gigantic wave and deposited on the rocks of Ylloa Island in the tempest of February 14 this year.

When found at a propitious moment in the dog-watch, a cigar between his teeth, skipper Chilvers can charm away the trivialities of a land-lubberly existence with the facility of the troubadours of olden times. Listening to him, one feels inclined to accept the dictum that truth is stranger than fiction. One of the most interesting yarns he told The Colonist was the adventure in which he and his canary were twice torpedoed on the same day.

"The sailor prince," he began, "was bound from Cyprus to Leith with 7,000 tons of cargo. We were about 170 miles south of Crete. At about 8 o'clock in the morning I was stowing some papers away and waiting for the breakfast bell. Suddenly, instead of the welcome sound of the bell, there was a terrific crash, and I realized that breakfast was a very unlikely event. So I jumped up and rushed outside."

Torpedo Attack

The torpedo had hit them amidships. The ship began to list immediately. Her back was broken. Stem and stern began to rise up out of the water. In nine minutes, which just gave the crew time to clutch the boats, swinging from the davits during the voyage, she gave a final heave and sank.

Shortly before the vessel finally broke in two and splintered down through the water to her doom, the captain had rushed to his cabin for some papers. He found them in the hands of his stricken command, he

day Captain Chilvers and his canary had been torpedoed by a German U-boat.

Immediately there was a panic. A frenzied scene followed. Fighting and clashing each other, the refugees swarmed into the out-stung boats and tried to lower them. Ropes were cut. Boatloads of people were precipitated into the water. The Ocean Prince crew, working with might and main, rescued many, but the tank was superhuman, and 78 were drowned.

Enhancing the tragedy, the Bourgeois did not sink. Again the submarine approached, and again the German commander spoke with Captain Chilvers. He joked at the result of his torpedo; but, after the Britisher had implored him not to administer the coup de grace to a ship loaded with women and children, the German had, to Chilvers' amazement, told him that he could try to reach shore with the Bourgeois if he wanted to. The German added that he had been fooled by the same vessel four times previously when she had resorted to the stratagem of flying the Greek flag.

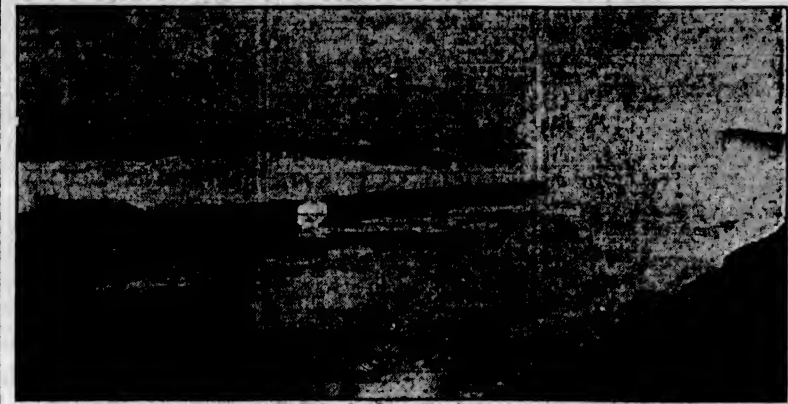
Searched for U-boat

With Chilvers on the bridge the Bourgeois was nursed slowly back to Alexandria. On arriving he reported the incident to a French cruiser, an armored vessel of the Marseiller Line. Forthwith that vessel put to sea in search of the U-boat. Arriving on the scene of the German's triumph, she, herself, was torpedoed and sunk by what Captain Chilvers insists, must have been the same U-boat.

"The next voyage I made," Captain Chilvers told The Colonist, "again took me to the Mediterranean in command of the Hebe. Just two months later, and again I had a rather interesting experience. "We had just got nicely through the straits when we received a wireless message from Cape St. Vincent, warning us of the presence of a submarine in our vicinity. It was about 5 o'clock in the morning. I called the chief officer and asked him whether he had seen anything. He replied that he had not returned to the bridge. I called for a cup of tea and was about to size up the situation when I heard a bang and felt an impact that experience had taught me meant nothing other than a torpedo.

"Jumping up, I dashed out of the cabin and ran full tilt into the mate, who was dashing in.

Gale Lashes Waters of Straits to High Frenzy



See Wall at Ross Bay on Thursday Morning.

PORT CENTRE FOR TIMBER CARGOES

Mills Along E. & N. Railway Have Already Sent in Ninety-Five Cars of Lumber for Big Order—Now Awaits Shipment at Ogden Point Dock—Carried Across City in Motor Trucks—Vancouver Usually Gets This Business

THE lumber assembly plant at Ogden Point, for months talked of as a possible solution of Vancouver Island's export problems, is now a reality.

Within the last twenty-five days ninety-five cars of lumber from mills along the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway have arrived here and the shipments transported by motor trucks to the Ogden Point docks, where the lumber will be loaded into a steamer shortly en route to Japan.

The longshoremen's strike, which has resulted in congestion at Vancouver, has brought Victoria this business, which usually goes to the Mainland port. Between thirty and forty mills along the E. & N. are contributing to the big Japanese shipment. In addition to the local plants, the lumber is going away from the Island in that favorite size of Nippon, four and a half inch "baby squares".

Hauling the lumber from the E. & N. depot to the Ogden Point docks has been a job of considerable proportions. It has been handled by the Vancouver Island Trucking Company, Limited, of which Mr. E. LeRus is the manager. As many as eleven trucks have been employed at a time in carrying the "baby squares" and

the amount transported to the docks in a day has been as high as 230,000 board feet, although the average has been about 100,000 feet. The last of the present order will be down from up-Island early in the week. The lumber is to be loaded about the end of the month.

ORIENT BIRDS LIKE FAIR WEATHER QUINN

Captain of President Madison, Which Sails Today, Is Popular Even With Wild Birds

Even the wild birds of the Orient have heard of Capt. "Fair Weather" Quinn, master of the Admiral Oriental liner President Madison, which is due to sail for the Orient from the Ogden Point piers at 5:30 o'clock this evening. When too closely harried by hunters and hawks, they not infrequently fly out a few hundred miles to board the floating haven of this kind-hearted captain.

STEAMER SINKS ON EAST COAST

REPORTED NORWEGIAN SHIP RENA MET DOOM Nothing Known of Crew of Thirty—Coast Guard Cutter Is Ordered to Search

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 15.—Sinking of the steamship Rena, with probable loss of life on Frying Pan shoals was reported late today at coast guard headquarters here. Four survivors are reported to have been picked up by the tanker W. Mills.

The sunken ship is believed to have been the Norwegian vessel of that name, a steamship of 2,885 tons. Captain Aalborg was in command of the steamer, which sailed from Las Palmas, November 8. She carried a crew of about thirty. It is believed. The report that four survivors have been picked up, with no mention of others rescued, leads to the belief that many of the twenty-six or more men aboard the Rena may be lost.

The W. A. Mills, a tanker last reported as arriving at Philadelphia, December 8.

TWO N. Y. K. VESSELS IN PORT YESTERDAY

On board the N.Y.K. ship Iryo Maru, which sailed for the Orient at 5 o'clock yesterday evening, was Captain John Ratter, commander of the Shinkoku Maru which was wrecked near Cordova, Alaska, recently. With Captain Ratter were his two sons who will accompany him to Japan.

Completing her first trip to these waters in the new Nippon Yusen Kaisha service, the Hakata Maru docked at the Hithet Piers at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning. After discharging some 150 tons of cargo here she will unload nearly 500 tons, including a silk consignment valued at \$10,000.

CHANGE ROUTE

The Cunard Atlantic liners Carmania and Caronia will operate in the Liverpool-Quebec service next Spring. On April 18 the Carmania will make the first westbound trip and will sail from Quebec on the return voyage on May 2. Both ships will call at Liverpool throughout the season after leaving Glasgow.

SHIPPING INFORMATION

STEAMER MOVEMENTS
SEATTLE, Dec. 15.—Arrived: Alameda, Southern Alaska; Bradyside, Liverpool; Hakata Maru, Nippon Yusen Kaisha; Santa Irene, Tacoma; West Japan, Portland; Berlin, Admiral Line; San Francisco, Pacific Coast; Santa Irene, Tacoma; West Japan, Portland; Berlin, Admiral Line; San Francisco, Pacific Coast; Santa Irene, Tacoma; West Japan, Portland; Berlin, Admiral Line; San Francisco, Pacific Coast.

THE WHOLE FAMILY WAS LAID UP WITH SEVERE COLDS

On the first appearance of a cough or cold our advice to you is to get rid of it before it has a chance to grow worse; get settled on the lungs, and causes bronchitis, pneumonia or other serious lung troubles.

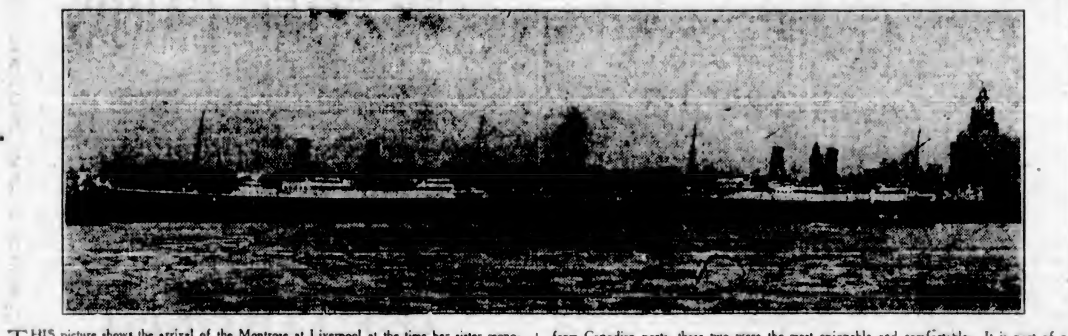
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Palatial Monoclass Liners of C. P. R. Atlantic Ocean Fleet



THIS picture shows the arrival of the Montreal at Liverpool at the time her sister monoclass liner, the Montclair, leaves for Canada. Both of these vessels are of the Canadian Pacific fleet and well known to many thousands of transatlantic passengers. Another ship of the same service is the Montclair, on which the Right Honorable W. L. Mackenzie King returned to Canada. In referring to his voyage, during the course of an interview at Quebec, the Prime Minister said: "The Montclair is a sister ship to the Montreal, by which I crossed to Liverpool from Quebec in the latter part of September. Of twelve voyages I have made across the Atlantic, some from American, others

realized that there was little time to lose. But his canary was warbling unconcernedly in its cage, and Captain Chilvers felt that he simply could not leave it to its fate. Seizing the cage, he ran out again to get into a boat. But all the boats had pushed away from the side of the ship, the sailors refusing the immunities of her final plunge.

"There was nothing for it, but to jump. So Captain Chilvers, the canary grasped lightly, jumped. He was picked up by one of the lifeboats and rowed away from the vortex caused by the sinking vessel. The canary had a ducking, to be sure, but, miraculously, it survived the immersion.

The submarine then approached and demanded that the captain come aboard. He complied, still with the caged canary in his grasp. For three hours the U-boat commander tried to "pump" him. Finally the German realized the futility of his efforts, and decided to place him again with his crew in the lifeboats.

Gorman Was Courteous

"He was a real man, that German," said Captain Chilvers. "He asked me whether I had water and provisions in the boat. I said 'yes,' and told him I was sorry he had sunk my ship, but that I appreciated his courteous treatment."

The captain left the submarine and rejoined his men in the boats. They set a course for land, and rowed until 8 o'clock that afternoon, when they were met by the Egyptian Mail steamer Bourgeois, carrying 375 refugees from Salonika to Alexandria.

Boarding the rescue ship, Captain Chilvers, still clutching the cage in his grasp, was met at the top of the ladder by her skipper. The Britisher's first words were of warning.

"For God's sake," he said, "get out of these waters! I have just been torpedoed."

The Egyptian captain had hardly opened his mouth to reply when a torpedo crashed into the Bourgeois, and for the second time in a single

"We've been in a collision!" the mate shouted.

"Aye!" I said, "we certainly have!"

Captain Chilvers found that the other vessel was the Achilbister which too, had been with-outlights, and in the darkness had rammed the Hebe forward of the bridge. The latter began to settle, she sunk lower and lower until the waters of the Mediterranean were eighteen inches over the main deck. At this point she refused to sink farther.

The engine-room bulkheads kept the water away from the machinery of the Hebe and she was able to proceed. The Achilbister, too, was kept from filling by the forward bulkhead behind the huge hole torn in her bow by the force of the collision. In company the two vessels set a slow and painful course for Gibraltar. It was an anxious voyage, and when the Hebe reached the Spanish harbor Captain Chilvers ignored all decks and moorings, but continued with what slow speed his engines could muster, and drove his ship full at the beach, stranding her to keep her from sinking.

Captain Chilvers is well known in Victoria. While here he was astonished at the large number of former residents of his birthplace, Guelph, England, whom he met. He had the pleasure of encountering his old friend, Captain A. M. Allen, on the night when the latter was elected to the office of police commissioner.

The genial skipper spins his yarns with a nice appreciation of dramatic values. His interviewer was disappointed to learn that he had never seen a sea serpent.

BUILD BIG DOCK

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A dock scheme to cost £1,000,000 has been approved by Bristol City council and involves the construction and equipment of an eastern arm of the Royal Edward dock at Avonmouth.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY SHIPPING MEN

Vancouver Ship Operators Select Officers for Federation—Arrange Protection for Struck Seamen

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—The Shipping Federation met yesterday and elected officers for the ensuing year.

Mr. F. W. Peters, general superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, was elected president; Captain W. Crawford, of the Empire Stevedoring Company, vice-president; Captain E. E. Beetham, general superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company; Mr. K. J. Burns, general manager of the Robert Dollar Company; Mr. B. W. Greer, of B. W. Greer & Son; Lieut.-Colonel W. Foster, and B. C. Keeler, general manager of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine.

The federation members expressed themselves satisfied with the conditions as they are on the waterfront, with the exception of the disturbances that have taken place in the past few days.

Arrangements were made to put several detectives on the front to drive into the source of the attacks on the waterfront workers, and more police were added to the present force.

AMATEUR RADIO RECORD

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—E. S. Rogers today carried on a radio conversation with P. L. Hogg in London, and established what is thought to be the best amateur radio voice communication between Canada and England.

are certain of plenty of good eats and shelter, and no bird ever has been turned away hungry.

On the last outward voyage of the President Madison when the vessel was 1,000 miles off the coast of Japan, a flock of sand grouse hove in sight early one morning, and after giving the ship the once over, came to anchor on the main deck aft. Shortly after their arrival a clipper-bird hawk appeared in the offing and appropriated a convenient perching place in the rigging. Being his first visit, the bird refused all advances and remained aloof, hungry but independent. However, the sand grouse announced by their actions they had reached their destination and deck Engineer F. Powell took them in charge, sputtered bird talk with them and fed them with wheat raised in the Walla Walla district. The grouse remained with the ship until she approached land, when they took their bearings and sailed away.

Many Passengers

The Madison will take out an unusually large passenger list when she leaves this evening. Eighty out of a total of five hundred and twenty-five will travel in the first class cabins. A party of United States coast and geodetic survey officials will be on board with the exception of the disturbances that have taken place in the past few days.

SACRIFICING LIFE

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—Thrown into the water off the harbor when the tug Robert Mackay capized and sank, Louis Cote, thirty-five, fisherman, sacrificed his life in saving from drowning Miss Rose Deblola, of St. Roch, Que., the tug's cook. Other members of the crew were saved.

The accident occurred when the tug was being towed to dry-dock. The bawler connecting her with the Robert Mackay snapped; the tug turned turtle, flung and sank.

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2	2:08	3:17	0.1	8:18	9:27	0.1	2:08	3:17
3	2:15	3:24	0.2	8:25	9:34	0.2	2:15	3:24
4	2:22	3:31	0.3	8:32	9:41	0.3	2:22	3:31
5	2:29	3:38	0.4	8:39	9:48	0.4	2:29	3:38
6	2:36	3:45	0.5	8:46	9:55	0.5	2:36	3:45
7	2:43	3:52	0.6	8:53	10:02	0.6	2:43	3:52
8	2:50	3:59	0.7	9:00	10:09	0.7	2:50	3:59
9	2:57	4:06	0.8	9:07	10:16	0.8	2:57	4:06
10	3:04	4:13	0.9	9:14	10:23	0.9	3:04	4:13
11	3:11	4:20	1.0	9:21	10:30	1.0	3:11	4:20
12	3:18	4:27	1.1	9:28	10:37	1.1	3:18	4:27
13	3:25	4:34	1.2	9:35	10:44	1.2	3:25	4:34
14	3:32	4:41	1.3	9:42	10:51	1.3	3:32	4:41
15	3:39	4:48	1.4	9:49	10:58	1.4	3:39	4:48
16	3:46	4:55	1.5	9:56	11:05	1.5	3:46	4:55
17	3:53	5:02	1.6	10:03	11:12	1.6	3:53	5:02
18	4:00	5:09	1.7	10:10	11:19	1.7	4:00	5:09
19	4:07	5:16	1.8	10:17	11:26	1.8	4:07	5:16
20	4:14	5:23	1.9	10:24	11:33	1.9	4:14	5:23
21	4:21	5:30	2.0	10:31	11:40	2.0	4:21	5:30
22	4:28	5:37	2.1	10:38	11:47	2.1	4:28	5:37
23	4:35	5:44	2.2	10:45	11:54	2.2	4:35	5:44
24	4:42	5:51	2.3	10:52	12:01	2.3	4:42	5:51
25	4:49	5:58	2.4	10:59	12:08	2.4	4:49	5:58
26	4:56	6:05	2.5	11:06	12:15	2.5	4:56	6:05
27	5:03	6:12	2.6	11:13	12:22	2.6	5:03	6:12
28	5:10	6:19	2.7	11:20	12:29	2.7	5:10	6:19
29	5:17	6:26	2.8	11:27	12:36	2.8	5:17	6:26
30	5:24	6:33	2.9	11:34	12:43	2.9	5:24	6:33
31	5:31	6:40	3.0	11:41	12:50	3.0	5:31	6:40

The Time used in Pacific Standard Time for the 24 hours, from midnight to midnight, is shown in the table. The height of High Water from Low Water, where the tide gauge is located, is shown in the table. The height of High Water from the height of Mean Water as shown above.

SENIOR AND SUNSET

DECEMBER, 1923.

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific Standard Time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1923.

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Day	Sunrise	Sunset
1	7:48	4:15	16	7:48	4:15
2	7:49	4:16	17	7:49	4:16
3	7:50	4:17	18	7:50	4:17
4	7:51	4:18	19	7:51	4:18
5	7:52	4:19	20	7:52	4:19
6	7:53	4:20	21	7:53	4:20
7	7:54	4:21	22	7:54	4:21
8	7:55	4:22	23	7:55	4:22
9	7:56	4:23	24	7:56	4:23
10	7:57	4:24	25	7:57	4:24
11	7:58	4:25	26	7:58	4:25
12	7:59	4:26	27	7:59	4:26
13	8:00	4:27	28	8:00	4:27
14	8:01	4:28	29	8:01	4:28
15	8:02	4:29	30	8:02	4:29
31	8:03	4:30			

TRANS-PACIFIC MAILS

China and Japan.
President Grant—Mails close Dec. 4, 4 p.m. Due at Kobe Jan. 15, Shanghai Jan. 21.
President McKinley—Mails close Dec. 18, 4 p.m. Due at Kobe Jan. 28, Shanghai Jan. 31.
President Wilson—Mails close Dec. 31, 4 p.m. Due at Kobe Jan. 31, Shanghai Jan. 31.

SEEKS HEIRS TO SIX MILLION ESTATE

Chicago Court Hears of Long Investigation of Claims of Second Cousins of Dead Man

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—A story of journeying through thirteen states, of searches in cemeteries for names on tombstones, and of time spent in reading thousands of heavy volumes of birth records and family Bibles in a search for heirs to the \$6,000,000 estate of the late Edwin B. Jennings, Chicago capitalist, was told today by Attorney P. B. Williams.

Attorney Williams, who made his report in the court room of Assistant Probate Judge Frederick W. Elliott, investigated as administrator of the estate the claims of seven second cousins. He also looked for unknown heirs, but found none, he said.

Judge Elliott took the case under advisement, reserving his decision until a later period.

The seven second cousins who are believed to be the only heirs of Jennings, are Miss Sarah M. O'Carra, Simcoe, Ont.; Norman C. Brize, New York; George H. Jennings

FINANCE - COMMERCE - MARKETS

PRICES IRREGULAR BY PROFIT TAKING

Rolling on Stock Market Falls to
Halt Operations for a Time
in Speculation

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Continuation of the week-end profit-taking gave today's brief session of the stock market a rather irregular appearance but failed to halt operations for the rise which was particularly pronounced in the oil and chemical groups. Realizing sales were most effective in the motors, sugars and equipments. Movements in the railroad group were fixed with fractional changes under the rule.

Corn products was the individual feature, being pushed up 5 1/2 points to 153, a new 1923 top. United States Wheat, which had a sensational 18-point rise yesterday, dropped back four points today.

Oil was again heavily bought, Marland, Pan-American, Coudren and Standard Oil of California, rising a point or so while Pacific moved up 2 1/2. Tidewater, 3 1/2, and Houston, 3 1/2. The strong spots in the Chemical list were Allied Chemical, America, Agriculture, Chemical common and preferred, up 1/2 to 5 1/2. Trading in the so-called pivotal shares, United States Steel, Baldwin, Studebaker and American Can was lighter than usual, the closing prices showing little or no change on the day.

Specialties in Demand
There was a fairly good demand for specialties.

Huaco Motors yielded 1 1/2 on the announcement of an increase in capital stock.

Foreign exchanges held steady in reflection of the improved sentiment in foreign financial centres as a result of the recent favorable developments in the reparations situation. Demand sterling was quoted around 24-27 1/2, and French francs around 5.30. Other principal rates showed little or no change.

The strength and activity of Denver and Rio Grande bonds and the heaviness of local traction issues were features of today's brief bond market.

Rio Grande Sky-rockets
The Rio Grande issue, which is being sold on an announcement that the recently formulated plan of reorganization had been approved formally by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Mexican bonds moved up more than a point on reaffirmation from Mexico City of the Obregon government's ability to continue payment of the debt agreement plan, despite military uprisings against the government.

Cable dispatches disclosed that bankers will be unable to pay interest due today on Chinese Railway 5's of the French issue, although payments are being made on the American and English issues, and on that portion of the German issue which has been validated by China.

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All Fractions in Eightths
All Cents in Tenths
All Mills in Hundredths

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The overall sentiment was one of cautious optimism, with investors looking for further gains in the oil and chemical sectors. The market was expected to remain active in the near future, with continued trading in the major sectors.

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NEW YORK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Foreign exchange steady.
Sterling—Demand, 24 1/2; cables, 24 1/2.
France—Demand, 5 1/2; cables, 5 1/2.
Italy—Demand, 1 1/2; cables, 1 1/2.
Belgium—Demand, 1 1/2; cables, 1 1/2.
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VALUES HOLD ON WINNIPEG MARKETS

In Spite of the Small Volume of
Trade Wheat Prices Were
Inclined Upwards

WINNIPEG, Dec. 15.—Covering by local shorts, spreading operations on the part of speculators and a limited trade report from abroad constituted the trading features of the wheat market here. The volume of trading was not large, but values held steady and closed 1/2 cent to 1 cent higher.

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Letters of a Japanese Schoolboy

By WALLACE IRWIN

An Open Letter to Mr. Mellon
To Hon. Secretary of the Treasury
who are in Wash. D. C. doing so.

Dear Mr. Mellon:
Last Wednesday I sent you by parcel post the December installment on my income tax & am awaiting yr. reply which don't come yet, by golly. I send this cash-money in nickies & dimes so you would have less trouble putting it in your Treasury Dept. But I got no answer yet, as usual.

I enjoy shock from several thoughts. Perhaps your cashier shook my letter and heard Jingles inside it. Who could blame him (or her) for taking my gift without words? People in Washington are always making appropriations & this would be just another one of those.

Perhaps you never got my letter yet. The U.S. Males have been having in a very interesting manner since the P. O. Dept. (Rep) has stolen the Bureau plank from the Democratic platform, and improved upon it quite nicely.

Bankers and Bootleggers
However, since I have took my tipperlighter in hand, Mr. Treasury, I wish ask you a few questionnaires.

A few weeks ago you told the World (publication & planet) how you know how to reduce Hon. Income Tax without use of drugs, exercise, diet or other means of treatment. You say how you know a way to cut \$18 Tax so skillfully so that you could improve the condition of the poor to include ports and money in the low end and bankers & bootleggers on the high end.

Mr. Treasury, this idea sound very rosbud to me. I guess you will be pretty popular gentleman, by golly, when you do that in America. Think what a benefit it will be when such a Law are passed it will give everybody so much more money with which to dishobey Hon. Volated.

Another thing I wish to ask you, Sir Mellon, if convenient, please change date of income Tax payment to Xmas & 4th of July. On those dates persons is so used to spending money they ain't got for things they don't want that they are willing to lose a few extra \$1111 without advertising for it.

Please don't tell Senator Snoot about this plan. If you should mention it he would say something new about Soldiers Bone Us which would cause deep sorrow to me and other branches of the money industry.

Many cases of Violent Pathos
I read in news print how you wish stop all Nunsance Taxes. How joyful Cousin Nogi, my them money industry, merely a Hebrew word for Tax. When you commence taking the Nunsance out of the Income Tax you will save 1000000001 a week for the Govt. Printer and give the U. S. Revenue

Collector nothing to do but enjoy the jokes of Hon. Roy Haines.

I wish require something more: Why not change the Income Tax to a Constitutional Amendment? Then people would not have to take it seriously.

Mr. Treasury, I wish tell you something straight from the elbow. I have noticed a great many cases of violent pathos caused by Income Tax. I tell you this:

Yesterday I notice one poor Beggerly Man selling pencils near a suburban trolley car. I love to help the poor with my sympathy which give me comfort without spending money. Therefore my heart stood up while I say following speech:

"Hon. Beggerly Man," I corrode, "I are very fond of pencils. Have you

I was entirely shook up by his words. Yet how could I escape away without spending money?

"Unfortun' man," I deplored, "how did you ever come to this condition in which you stand?"

"I are a wounded veteran," he contended deeply.

"O, sweethearted Mr. Sir!" I flap back, "where was you wounded?"

"In the pocket," he develop.

"Horror!" I jar. "Please to tell me 8 or 14 more tax about yrself."

"It are a wound that never healed," he say with a groan. "Since 1917, when I made out my income Tax report that pocket have never been able to keep anything on its stummock. It were all caused by Item Z, section (a) Part 13 which I wrote on my Report



"Move over, if convenient, I also shall sell pencils."

any fountain pens?"

"Yes, I do not sell them," he oilcote distinctly. "Yet why not a 1c pencil, price 5c, as Xmas present for your kindly Uncle, maybe?"

"Alas!" I mone. "My kindly Uncle do not know how to write."

"Wounded in the Pocket?"

"Just the thing for him!" holla Hon. Charity Merchant. "Nobody ever wrote anything with these pencils."

with help of my wife & other legal authorities.

"That Item Z, you well remember, ask following slight question:

"Are you a Fiduciary, Beneficiary, Fireman or What?"

"Section (a)—State reasons why."

"Part 13—if not, see Section A, col. 2."

"Therefore I turn to Section A, col. 2 where I dishcover following intelligence:

"For answer to this Section, see Item Z, section (a) Part 13."

How To Beat the Tax
"So you see, kind sir, how depraved I have fell since then. At that time I were honestly employed as president of a shoe-button factory. But what time had I for telling those Question to be answered? See hourly I wrote to Treasury Dept. to ask what it could mean? But how could they tell with so much to do and so little time? Then I commence hiring lawyers, mathematicians & insanity experts please tell me how much I. O. Uncle Sam. When Prof. Einstein were in America I took that problem to him. He told me how, but his language were more difficult than necessary. All I could remember from his

wisdom were, "Every straight line is doubled up inside itself. Which are right, if true."

"Thusly my money got all flittered away, paying stenographers to prove that I did not owe U.S. Govt. 2.88, referring back to Item Z, section (a) Part 13."

Hon. Beggerly Man wipe the flies from his tired eyebrow while weeping. "So you have took to han-pending on street corner?" I suggest with softened brain.

"Yes indeed," he snagger. "A by that way I learn how to beat Income Tax."

"How could you beat Income Tax?" I ask like a puzzle.

"By not having any Income," he divulge.

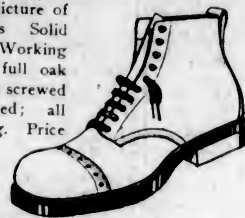
The Steel Magnate Sits in "O Beggerly Man!" I gollup, "my heart is knocked down by your sad tale. In name of sweet charity I might buy your pencils. Will you sell me three (3) for 10c?"

Mr. Editor, while thusly speaking,

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BOGUS ROYALTY HAS SINECURE IN GERMANY

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Democracy Germany has not ceased to worship at the throne of royalty, and because of this bogus princes with hyphenated and unpronounceable names often flourish the German public. A make-believe prince with a sense of humor and taste for expensive automobiles and high living recently lived high in a number of German cities at the expense of exclusive

hotels and garages which cater to the high-born by assuming the title Prince Hanshorst von Isenburg-Bierstein. His name varied from time to time.

In North Germany he posed as Count von Ohr, or Count of the East. Sometimes he paid his bills in bad cheques when proprietors became too impatient, but generally he moved along before they got tired of extending credit to royalty.

Berlin police officials have run down the man's record and say he is a twenty-four-year-old salesman who has been known in police circles of North Germany for several years. In some cases, where he was not able to obtain an automobile, he engaged chauffeurs and explained to hotel keepers that his auto was coming in a few days.

Will Shelton, chief of the Shoshone tribe of Indians, is carving his tribe's history on a huge cedar pole.



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JACK BARNSELY'S HOME-MADE RECEIVER

Radio Man Who Talks With North Pole Station Owned "Harpin" Detector Set

PRINCE RUPERT, B. C., Dec. 15.—Starting out with a recently constructed home-made radio receiver, that would be the laughing stock of the most uninitiated present-day radio fan, Jack Barnsley, formerly a resident of Victoria and now of Prince Rupert, B. C., today has a high power amateur station that has made him the only connecting link between the Arctic explorer, Captain Donald D. MacMillan, and the whole civilized world.

Barnsley, being peculiarly well situated to receive messages from the little schooner, Bowdoin, in Winter quarters at Refuge Harbor, he has a radio receiving set and antenna installation that compares favorably with some of the best stations in the United States.

It was some time in 1910 that Barnsley thanked his lucky stars for the good fortune that had brought him a Bell telephone receiver, a dry battery, a couple of carbons and a "harpin" with which to build his first radio apparatus. He made his coil from some stray wire, head phones from the single receiver, and the detector from the carbons and the steel needle, sharpened to a fine point, for the movable part.

A few years later and Barnsley was working for the Marconi Company as a wireless operator on coastwise steamers, finally on board the Empress of Russia, when he visited Japan, China and Manila and recruiting sign for the "Royal Air Force" attracted his attention in 1917, and there followed a "hitch" as instructor in the army.

Since he established communication recently with the Arctic vessel, after weeks of complete silence, he has received scores of messages from members of MacMillan's crew and sent them on to relatives and friends

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